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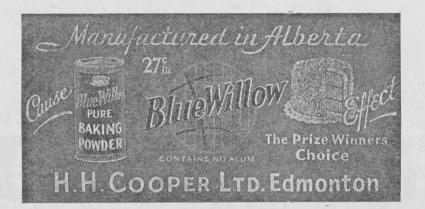
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The Bishop's Page

My dear people,

There is every indication that Edmonton is destined to become a BIG city. But Edmonton can become a GREAT city only if her spiritual resources keep pace with the development of her material resources. The Church has the power, divinely planted, to be the fashioner of the life of cities. It is therefore pertinent to ask ourselves where the Church of England stands in relation to the developments which are taking place around us on every hand, and for which, under God, we are responsible.

It is possible for individual churchmen to become so immersed in the affairs of their own parishes that they fail to see the city-wide church or diocesan church, so I am asking where do we stand in the diocese and in the city of Edmonton? Are we growing with the city and the Province What are our prospects for the immediate future? These are questions of concern to every loyal churchman, and indeed every farsighted citizen.

It is the privilege, almost the exclusive privilege, of the Bishop to see the plans of the whole diocese as they are formed and carried out. Would that it were different and that a large number of our churchmen could be definitely and personally interested in, and aware of what is happening in each individual parish and mission, especially in the country. The following survey of the diocese, while it will not aim at completeness, will serve to indicate in broad outline the way in which our people in town, city and country have responded to the needs of the Church. If the emphasis falls upon the material progress we have made, it is because such progress lights up for us in simple concrete terms the loyalty and devotion and service of the average churchman.

STIPENDS OF MISSIONARY CLERGY

In 1946, by resolution of General Synod, the stipends of missionary clergy were raised from \$1,200.00 to \$1,400.00 per year. In 1949 there will be a further increase, to bring the minimum up to \$1,600.00 per year. In this advance our people will be giving \$3,400.00 per year more for the stipends of missionary clergy. At the same time, by assessment on all parishes, we were able to pay the gas and oil bills of rural clergy, plus \$100.00 for major car expenses. To provide for this involved a further increase of \$4,060.00 per year in local diocesan giving. You will therefore see that since 1946 we have increased our missionary giving by a total sum of \$7,460.00 per year. I am happy to say that in order to meet these increases we have not called upon the Missionary Society of the Canadian Church for any additional help.

GENERAL ADVANCE IN THE DIOCESE OUTSIDE THE CITY OF EDMONTON STIPENDS

The Parishes of **Camrose** and **Wainwright** have voluntarily increased the stipend of their ministers to \$1,800.00; **Vermilion** and **Fort Saskatchewan** expect to do so at once. (These are self-supporting parishes).

CHURCHES

New churches have been built at Camrose (\$15,000.00) and Grand Centre. Fort Saskatchewan will begin their new church in the spring. The Parish of Vegreville bought a former Presbyterian Church and have completely refitted it as a beautiful place of worship at considerable cost. At Marwayne an unused church was moved into the town to serve this thriving centre.

RECTORIES—Outside the City of Edmonton

New Rectories have been provided at Edgerton, Tofield and Ponoka, and extensive work has been done on the rectories at Fort Saskatchewan, Barrhead, Westlock, Mannville, Clandonald, Onoway, Edson and Sedgewick. Approximately \$25,000.00 have been spent on rectories in the diocese outside the city of Edmonton during the past three years. This sum was raised by local congregations and by my appeal to the diocese.

PARISH HALLS

New Parish Halls have been built at **Sedgewick** and **Mannville**, and a building bought for a Parish Hall at **Gibbons.**

This bald statement of facts represents on the part of our people a keen sense of responsibility, and a great deal of hard work. It has been one of my greatest privileges to have a share in the plans from the beginning; to follow the progress of the work, and to rejoice with my people upon its completion.

Before I turn to consider the state of the Church in the city of Edmonton, let me remind you in passing that during the past three years we have raised and sent to Headquarters \$63,000.00 as our allotment in the Anglican Advance Appeal. We pledged a total of \$69,7662.80, and we confidently expect that the whole amount will be paid.

I dare not forbear to mention also, that, through the efforts of the Elizabeth House Guild, we have

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raised and spent on Elizabeth House approximately \$25,000.00.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH IN THE CITY OF EDMONTON CLERGY

In 1941 there were seven clergy in full time parish work in the city. In 1948 there were thirteen. We have therefore practically doubled our staff since the end of the war. This is part of our answer to the question, "Are we growing with the city?" As soon as more clergy become available we shall further increase the staff. Holy Trinity Church, for example, has been waiting for several years for an assistant to Canon Nainby.

RECTORIES IN THE CITY

New Rectories have been built at **St. Faith's**, **St. Mary's** and **Christ Church. St. Paul's** and **St. Peter's** have bought houses for their clergy. The total expenditure for Rectories in the city has been \$39,300.00.

NEW PARISHES

St. John the Evangelist on the South Side had a tenuous existence for some years, but came to vigorous life with the appointment of a full time priest in 1946. Starting from scratch, this new parish has now a current budget of \$4,000.00, and

has built the major portion of a new and attractive church at the cost of about \$15,000.00. Already the portion of the church that has been completed is inadequate, and in 1949 the building will be completed at a cost of, approximately, an additional \$12,000.00. This is a story of a rector and people working together enthusiastically and harmoniously to establish the Church firmly in a rapidly growing area of the city.

ST. PAUL'S, JASPER PLACE

This new parish is as old as the diocese. It will actually celebrate its 35th anniversary in 1949. But it has been moved about in the extreme west end of the city several times, and has never really had a chance to settle down. At last it came into its own on its present strategic site in 1945. With the appointment of a fulltime parish priest its development parallels that of St. John's. A rectory was bought in 1947 at a cost of \$6,800.00. The old church building was rehabilitated, to be used temporarily both as a Church and a Parish Hall. Now plans are well advanced for the erection of a new church at an approximate cost of \$25,000.00. This work will begin in the spring. It is impossible not to feel thankful and, indeed, proud of the way in which the rector and the people of St. Paul's have rallied to the challenge that that part of Edmonton represents.

ST. MARY'S. HIGHLANDS

Another new old parish. Step by step, since the appointment of a full time parish priest in 1946, St. Mary's has grown. This year a new rectory was built on the church property at a cost of \$11,-000.00. In 1947 the church was moved on to a new foundation, with a view to its ultimate use as a Parish Hall. The choir rooms, vestries, etc., of the proposed new church were built to provide necessary temporary accommodation. The cost of this church building operation was \$6,500. The next urgent step for St. Mary's is the building of the church. I am confident that when the time is ripe St. Mary's will plan and carry through this major project with the same sturdy self-reliance which has characterized their progress during the past two years.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH

In 1946, St. Mark's embarked upon its separate parish existence, after years of being joined to St. Mary's. In this first year of its life it made amazing progress, and this has been steadily maintained—the annual income is three times what it was prior to 1946. A new housing area which has developed in the partish provides a challenge to which the people of St. Mark's have responded. Already provided with an adequate church and rectory, and a less adequate Parish Hall, no major building programme has been involved. But this year the parish plans to put their Parish Hall upon a new foundation, and to effect other necessary major repairs at a cost of \$3,000.00.

ST. PETER'S WITH CALDER

As noted before, St. Peter's church had provided a Rectory for the minister at a cost of \$6,500.00. The stipend of the rector has been increased during the year to \$1,800.00. At Calder, during the past few years, very extensive improvements have been made to the church, and last year to the Parish Hall. St. Peter's is begining to realize the benefit from the new housing area which has sprung up within the parish recently. Plans for the extension of the Church and for a new Parish Hall are being considered.

ST. FAITH'S WITH ST. MICHAEL'S

There are now two clergy at St. Faith's. The Reverend G. W. Wilson joined the staff in 1947, and was appointed assistant to the rector and St. Michael's was added to the parish. The Rectory was built in 1944 at a cost of \$6,000.00. The Parish Hall has been sold and plans are now well in hand for a new Church and Parish Hall. It is expected that the annual meeting will approve the plans, and that next spring a beginning will be made. The estimated cost of the Church and Parish Hall is \$80,000.00. The old church has been outgrown, and further progress depends upon the provision of an adequate place of worship to provide for the greatly increased congregations.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

Since 1946 extensive repairs and redecorations, both of the Church and the Rectory, have been completed. A new organ has been installed. The cost of these improvements was about \$1,500.00. A great deal of the labour was voluntary. In 1947 the stipend of the parish priest was increased to \$2,000.00 a year. Some comparitive budget figures will serve to mark the increasing strength of the parish. In 1945 the budget was \$1,900.00, in 1949 it is \$3,500.00.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

During 1948 Holy Trinity has built a handsome new Parish Hall at a cost of about \$40,000.00. This necessary addition, in harmony with the present fine Church, provides the most adequate equipment of any of our city churches. The only project which now remains to be done is that of the Rectory, for which lots have been bought near the church site. A comparison of the budget figures for 1943 and 1948 indicates the way in which the work has grown—1943, \$10,500.00; 1948, \$13,500.00.

ST. LUKE'S

St. Luke's, also on the South Side, is now benefitting from the large housing projects during the past few years, and I have every confidence the parish will quickly move to full self support under the leadership of Canon Wallis.

CHRIST CHURCH

A new Rectory was completed early in 1948 at a cost of about \$11,600.00. The increasing strength

of the parish is indicated also by a comparison of the budget figures for 1942 and 1947. In 1942 the total budget was \$8,728.00. In 1947 the budget was increased to \$12,620.00.

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

I come in conclusion to consider the Mother Church of the diocese. Here we face our major building programme—a Cathedral Church and Parish Hall. The congregation has collected for this purpose the sum of \$23,000.00. The first unit to be built, which is the Parish Hall, will cost about \$63,000.00. We therefore need \$40,000.00 before we can begin.

The progress of the Cathedral during the past few years is indicated by comparative budget figures. In 1942 it was \$10,670.00 and in 1947 it

was increased to \$19,274.00.

It is expected that the congregation will approve the plan to intensify a campaign for funds to enable building on a scale and in a style much more costly than would be necessary, or desirable, if the Cathedral were an ordinary parish church. For this reason the carrying out of the plans must become the concern of the Bishop and the diocese. The first unit to be built will provide accommodation for the Bishop's office and Synod Office, as well as rooms for the Cathedral congregation. With confidence I shall therefore appeal to the whole diocese as soon as a final decision is reached on the only outstanding question—When shall we begin?

I have made no attempt here to give a full picture of the state of the Church, either in the diocese or in the city, but what I have done will, I am sure, help you to see in broad outline the things that have been undertaken in order that we may more adequately serve our generation. In the very nature of the case the personal aspect of our advance has been omitted, but, as indicated above, there has gone into this work the thoughts, the hearts, the prayers and the money of the average churchman.

I should also like to express my personal pride and satisfaction in the clergy, under whose leadership and devotion all this has been accomplished.

Yours faithfully,

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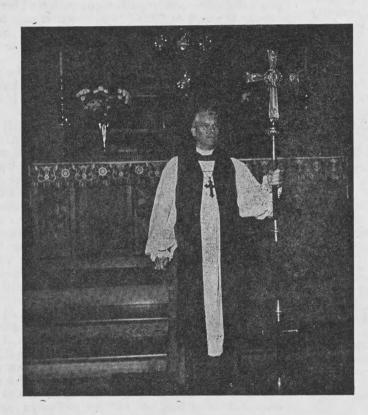
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DIOCESAN NEWS



The Primate's First Visit



Lenten Services Begin

The Most Reverend George Frederick Kingston, Ph.D., D.D., Primate of All Canada, with Mrs. Kingston, will make his first visit to Edmonton in connection with the inauguration of our Midday Lenten Services. Let all churchmen give him a genuine Western welcome. The programme which he is being asked to carry out while he is in Edmonton you will find printed elsewhere in this issue of the "Churchman."

In his person The Primate represents our whole Church fellowship—from coast to coast—and joins us together as one family. He represents the best traditions of our Communion—by his comprehensive scholarship, his warm pastoral heart, and his liberal Catholic Churchmanship.

The growth of our Church in Edmonton, which is reflected in what the Bishop says on his page this month, parallels the development of the city itself. We have a great responsibility to see that our Church life develops to meet the challenge of this developing city. We must confront the city with the Gospel of Christ. The Lenten Services are one of the many ways in which we seek to fulfil our God-given task. The Primate will be with us to lead and inspire our undertaking.

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THE REV. N. R. BURKE, B.A., L.Th.,

Rector of Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto

The second of our Lenten preachers will be the Reverend Northcote Burke. In him we will have one of the most effective and popular preachers in our Church today. It is quite safe to say that his coming to us for the Lenten Services is the best guarantee we could have of their success from every point of view. His universal appeal rests upon a sound foundation of understanding, sympathy, eloquence and, above all, it rests upon a quality of evangelism which makes God real to people-all kinds of people. We look forward to his week with us as an event full of divine promise.

The Edmonton Mission Revived



THE REV. H. W. BUCHNER, B.A., L.Th.

Mr. Buchner will be installed at Edson as the senior member of the team of three who begin work there on January 30th. He has won a secure place in the life of the diocese, and particularly in the hearts of the Cathedral congregation, who feel heavily his loss. We rejoice that he has so gladly accepted this new and important work in the diocese, and that we shall have the benefit of his scholarship, zeal and devotion for some time to come.

New Centre of Work at Edson

The establishment of three missionary priests at Edson is intended to revive the spirit and method of the original Edmonton Mission of 1910. This generation of Churchmen has almost forgotten what that Mission was, so a word of explanation is necessary.

In the year 1910 the two Archbishops of the Provinces of Canterbury and York issued an appeal to the Church of the Motherland to reinforce the resources of Western Canada, both with men and money, in order to meet an extremely difficult and critical situation in Western Canada. With the extension westward of the great railway system a tremendous flood of immigrants poured into Western Canada—1,300,000 immigrants came between the years 1900-1910. The population of

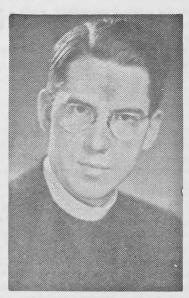


THE REV. G. A. ROBINSON, B.A., L.Th.

The Reverend George A. Robinson will join the Edson group at the end of February. He comes to us from Hamilton, Ontario. He is a graduate in Honours English of McMaster University (1944) in that city, and of Trinity College in Divinity (1947). In 1946 he was accepted as an Oblate Novice of S.S.J.D. and in February of this year will be allowed to take his first annual vows as an Oblate of the Order. Mr. Robinson was ordained Deacon and Priest by the Bishop of Niagara in 1946 and 1947 respectively. Since Ordination he has been assistant to the Reverend Canon A. T. F. Holmes, Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hamilton. We are glad that Mr. Robinson has been led to throw in his lot with us and to exercise his ministry in the building up of the Church life in the West. He will find a warm welcome everywhere and our prayers will continue to be offered for him in the work to which he has been called.

Alberta increased 440%. The Archbishops' appeal was designed to meet this critical situation which was entirely beyond the resources of the Canadian Church.

During the years 1910-1911 the Mission was established, with headquarters in Edmonton. The staff at the end of 1911 consisted of nine clergy and fourteen laymen. In 1913 the number



THE REV. J. G. GARDINER, B.A., L.Th.

One of the "trio" who comes to us from Toronto to share our life and to exercise his ministry in Edson and district. He is a graduate in Arts and Theology of Trinity College, Toronto, Ontario, 1943 and 1946 respectively. Mr. Gardiner is a native of Toronto and has had for many years two quite different ambitions-first to work in a downtown area of a large city. This ambition he has realized happily as assistant priest at the Church of St. George the Martyr during the two and one-half years since he was made Deacon in 1946 and Priest in 1947. The second ambition was to do Missionary work in Western Canada. This is shortly to be fulfilled when he joins us here. May it be for him the beginning of the happiest years of his ministry. We welcome him into the diocesan family.

was increased to thirteen clergy and twenty-one laymen (including several women workers). By the end of 1914 there were seventeen clergy and twenty-one laymen. The stipends, travelling costs, buildings and other necessary equipment for this staff, as well as the men, were supplied through the Archbishops' appeal. Many Church sites were bought, Churches and Mission houses erected.

The outbreak of war in 1914 resulted in the rapid depletion of the staff.

Many of the Clergy and Laity enlisted in the Services. Eleven of them were

killed in action. The Mission was, however, carried on until 1920 according to the original agreement, when it was hoped the diocese would then be in a position to man and to finance the work. Before leaving the diocese a capital sum was handed over, which it was hoped would be sufficient to perpetuate the work so well begun. The revenue from this fund has steadily declined through greatly reduced interest rates, until now it is less than half its original amount. However, it is used for purposes within the diocese which are in accordance with the terms of the trust.

THE FIRST STEP

The first step towards the revival of the spirit and intention of the Edmonton Mission will be taken on January 30th, when the Bishop proposed to install the Reverend H. W. Buchner, the Reverend J. E. Gardiner and the Reverend G. A. Robinson into the Missionary Area centred on Edson-one of the areas originally served by the Archbishops' Missioners. These three clergy will make their headquarters in the rectory at Edson, which has been completely renovated and made comfortable and attractive by the people of Edson, without assistance from outside.

The area to be served comprises, in addition to the town of Edson itself, the Coal Branch, including Cadomin, Mountain Park, Luscar and Mercoal on one branch, and Sterco, Coal Valley and Foothills on the other. In addition, the clergy will minister, as far as possible, to Drayton Valley, Wolf Creek, Peers, Hattonford, Evansburg, Entwistle and Brightwood. This is a stupendous task, but at any rate the whole area will be provided with the Church's ministrations, if only occasionally. During the summer it is hoped to be able to supplement the work of the clergy by means of Theological Students at one or more centres.

THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT

The first and most important aspect of the Edmonton Mission was its provision for an element of community life for unmarried clergy. It was proved up to the hilt that the way to make the Missioners feel the best inspiration from their work, to be able to keep their life on the right plane, to be able to face difficulties, discouragements and the inevitable loneliness was to go about their work, for the most part, in

Theology and Agriculture

The only significant religion is one which starts where man is, and with the facts and the problems of that concrete situation, and goes with man whatever he does and whatever he meets. No real religion will submit to detachment from life, because the real world knows nothing of watertight compartments, and religion is man's response to the single meaning of his total environment—a response expressing itself in worship, personal committal and conduct.

Conduct is a function of environment, which differs for each country and for each type of community in each country. There can therefore be no stereotyped transmission of religion.

The teacher can lead only when he relates the meaning of what is committed to him to the setting of those with whom he has to do. And in consequence merely academic theological training is inadequate, and usually misleading. Knowledge is required not only of theology, but also of local community, culture and thought-forms.

Because conduct is a function of environment, good husbandry, which is one mode of man's dealing with environment, is entirely and unavoidably religious, and is as much a positive moral obligation as is the precept to love our neighbour, which is another mode of dealing with environment.

Therefore, the exploitation or spoliation of soil or stock by any means whatsoever are sins against our neighbour, against posterity, against the natural order, and against God whose it all is,

pairs and to share a common life of fellowship and worship in a central house. This aspect of the Edmonton Mission is being revived at Edson.

In due course it is hoped to establish another house, with a similar group, at some central point to serve Onoway, Wabamun, Duffield, Seba Beach, Peavine and Mayerthorpe, together with the centres adjacent to them.

This undertaking must be planned for and carried through upon our own resources, both of men and of money. Behind us, in this, is the work of that band of gallant Christian gentlemen who laid the foundations, and whose work we humbly seek to perpetuate and to emulate.

and whose instruments and agents we are for its right use.

The Bible illuminates the moral factors involved in agriculture, and it is only in terms of rural and agricultural knowledge and sympathies that the Bible can be understood and taught.

When so understood the sin of bad husbandry is clear; and the contradiction is exposed which lies in the inner life of one who claims to be a Christian (with all that is thereby implied for moral conduct) but yet is indifferent to the moral claims upon him of stock and soil. There is no logical difference between acquiesence in bad farming and acquiescence in unchastity. Both alike are wrong dealing with environment.

Consequently those who, as ministers, are "messengers, stewards, and watchmen of the Lord," and are ordained to lead and to teach His people, must know the principles involved in the work and life of the people committed to their charge. If conduct is right dealing with environment, right conduct cannot be explained and taught by one who has no knowledge of environment. This applies to rural life in exactly the same way as it applies to economic and industrial life, or to the complex relationships of men and women which are the foundation of the home. The training of a Christian minister is incomplete unless it equips him to lead, to advise, and to admonish in a rural community. He must be alive to ways in which his people can fall into sin, and that means that he must know the principles of good husbandry.

When religion and husbandry are thus recognized as inseparable the reward is great, alike for the deepening and understanding of religion as for the appreciation of and reverence for the soil, and for an incentive to improve technical skill, and to set the economic problem properly in its own natural moral context.

Modern agriculture has neglected this fact, and has sought to put asunder what God has joined, to its own detriment and that of religion. Therefore agricultural principles should be taught in theological colleges, and theological principles in horticultural and agricultural colleges; and it is the farm home that these two lines most noticeably intersect.

-From "Theology."

"The Love of Christ Constraineth Us"

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Auxiliary

"The Joy of the Lord is our Strength"

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EDMONTON DIOCESAN BOARD OF THE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN CANADA

All Saints' Cathedral and Parish Hall, Edmonton Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, March 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 1949

Please bring this programme with you.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1st ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

Theme of Annual: "Be Thou Diligent" Proverbs 27: 23.

10:00 a.m .-

Annual Corporate Communion. Celebrant: The Right Reverend W. F. Barfoot, D.D.

Preacher: The Primate of All Canada, The Most Reverend G. F. Kingston, D.D.

Presentation of Diocesan Thankoffering.

12:00 noon-

Luncheon in the Corona Hotel. Welcome: Mrs. J. A. M. Hamilton, Cathedral Evening Branch. Reply: Mrs. James Ward of the Jasper

Evening Branch.

1:30 p.m.-All Saints' Hall.

Hymns, Prayers, Roll Call. Welcome to all Delegates: Mrs. R. J. Horne, President of All Saints' Afternoon W.A.

Greetings, Announcements.

Review of the Year.

Recording and Corresponding Secretaries.

President's Address.

Dorcas, Educational Secretaries. Living Message Secretary.

Sunday School by Post Secretary.

4:00 p.m .-

The Bishop's Hour.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd ALL SAINTS' HALL

9:30 p.m.-

Hymn, Prayers.

Minutes, Correspondence, Question

Missionary News.

E.C.D., U.T.O., Treasurer.

Report of the Convenor of Nominations: Mrs. E. Currey.

Consideration of Dominion and Diocesan Pledges and Appeals.

12:00 noon-

Noontide Prayers.

12:20 p.m .--

Lenten Service in Cathedral: His Grace, The Primate.

12:40 p.m --

Luncheon.

1:45 p.m.-

Hymn, Prayers.

Correspondence, Question Box.

Review of the Year.

Prayer Partner Secretary.

Candidates' Secretary:

Mrs. W. F. Barfoot.

"British Women of Today."

Voting of Funds, Diocesan Thankoffering.

Offertories, E.C.D.

The Service of Youth: Litle Helpers, Juniors and Girls.

Pilgrimage to Canterbury: Mrs. H.

Gutteridge.

Closing of Ballot Box.

4:00 p.m .-

Life Members' Conference.

NOTICES

Registration Cards are included with this programme.

Presidents please fill in their own names and names of delegates, and return not later than Feb. 18th, to Mrs. F. A. Garton, 11304 127 Street. Delegates requiring hospitality for bed and breakfast are asked to send their names immediately to the Convenor of Hospitality, Mrs. V. Barford, 9703 106 Street. Phone 21273.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 3rd ALL SAINTS' HALL

9:30 a.m.-

Celebration of Holy Communion. Celebrant: Very Reverend A. M. Trendell, D.D.

The Reverend J. E. Williams.

10:00 a.m.-

Minutes, Correspondence.

Announcement of Officers for 1949.

Question Box.

Report of Credentials Committee.

Deanery W.A. Reports: Wetaskiwin. Vermilion, Wainwright, Pembina.

Report of Dominion Annual Meeting:

Mrs. F. C. Young.

12:00 noon.-

Noontide Prayers.

12:20 p.m.-

Lenten Service in the Cathedral: His Grace, The Primate.

12:40 p.m.-

Luncheon.

Meeting of New Executive to appoint Honorary Officers.

1:45 p.m.-

Hymn, Prayers.

Question Box.

Report of Life Members' Secretary.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Hospital Visiting.

St. Catherine's Residence.

Book of Remembrance.

Programme, Press and Publications.

Unfinished Business.

New Business.

Election of Delegate to Dominion Annual.

Votes of Thanks.

Service of Prayer and Thanksgiving in the Cathedral: The Very Reverend A. M. Trendell, D.D.

Afternoon Tea in the Cathedral Hall. Shower of cotton bandages for girls at Wabasca School-Presidents please note.

Woman's Auxiliary

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Registration of City Branches will be held on Friday, February 25th, at the Synod Office from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., at which time Luncheon Tickets may be purchased.

Out of Town Delegates may register and receive their Complimentary Luncheon Tickets at the Hall on Monday, February 28th, between 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., and 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 1st.

Delegates are requested to be in their places on time and to remain until the close of the Session.

Visit the Literature Table and the Youth Table for the latest publications for your educational programmes.

Each Copy of the Officers' Annual Reports, 15 cents.

All Women of the Church are cordially invited to attend the Session. Those who have the right to vote are: Presidents, 2 delegates, Little Helpers', Juniors', Girls' Secretaries, or their proxies, and Life Members.

Convenor of Nominations-Mrs. E. Currey, 11710 86 Street. Phone 72660.

The Superintendents of the Youth Departments suggest that branches might send the heads of the Parochial Youth Groups as delegates.

Other Branches that have accepted an increase in pledge, making 75%: Holy Trinity Afternoon, Cathedral Evening, Clyde, Edson Evening, Hughenden, Edson Afternoon, Ponoka Afternoon, Irwinville, Luscar, Clandonald.

Final Appeal—at the 1949 W.A. Annual, the W.A. Map of the Diocese is to be presented to the Board, together with Extra Donations of 10 cents per member, to the Anglican Advance Appeal Fund. Every Parish is marked in its respective location.

I would not like any branch to be left out, therefore I make this final appeal for your list not later than Feb. 15, 1949, so that there will be time to finish off this work and have it cleared ready for use in the W.A. room.

MRS. ROSINA DUDLYKE. Box 316, Marwayne, Alberta.

Sexagesima Appeal, 1949

A Message from the Primate.

The General Secretary has outlined six imperatives concerning the practical application in human society of the teaching of Our Lord Iesus Christ. These imperatives are worthy of careful examination and exact study.

A seventh imperative, however, may well be added, namely, the necessity of taking action without delay in putting into effect these fundamental truths. We are apt to be complacent, indifferent or self-satisfied and to tolerate conditions which should be shocking to the Christian conscience.

I trust that the Lambeth Conference Report of 1948 may be carefully studied by our clergy and people throughout Canada. It contains vital and challenging material which merits our attention. I shall give a brief quotation from the Report, related to each of the six imperatives set forth in the General Secretary's letter.

(1) "Concerning Marriage and the Family."

"The only answer to the degenerate morality and low standards of marriage popularized by many novels and films is positive instruction in the Christian principles of marriage."

(2) "Concerning the Dignity and Rights of all Men."

"The Christian doctrine of man is the true justification for the recognition of human rights. According to this theory every individual man is of supreme value in the sight of God, for he is made in the image of God, he is called to be a child of God, for his sake Christ died and his heritage is life eternal."...

"The Church at all times and in all places should be a fearless witness against political, social and economic injustice."

(3) "Concerning Man's Responsibility to Man."

"The practical problem of the modern world is 'How are people to live together?' The failure of our human relationships in nearly every department of human life is undeniable, and this failure is due in the main to the fact that we do not recognize and act upon our common relationship to God."

(4) "Concerning Religious and Civil Liberty."

"Both Church and State are of God They have different functions to exercise within a common purpose; at many levels and from time to time there will be tension between them, but if the tension turns into strife and enmity then one or other is outstepping its proper sphere and function."

(5) "Concerning Peace and War."

"We urge all Christian people to combat the present disastrous trend toward another world war. The growing fatalism on this subject is itself of danger." . . .

. . . "Christians must also endeavor to remove the causes of war by striving for greater economic well being throughout the world, greater emphasis on social welfare, better observance of human rights in every sphere, and more constant use of international negotiation and conversation."

(6) "Concerning the Spiritual, as Fundamental."

"The overriding task at a time like this, when all human values are threat ened and man is being reduced to insignificance by forces beyond the indi vidual's control, is the vindication o man against all that cheapens or de grades him, and the rebuilding of a culture in which personal life holds the acknowledged primacy. This alone can be worthy of man's birthright as a child of God and heir of eternal life In that enterprise the Church must be the leader."

I trust that in 1949, an importan year in our Church in Canada, we may have many sermons and addresses or these subjects, and not only so, bu also that we may develop in parishes where it may be possible, study groups for youth and adults. Exact knowledge obtained through careful study and earnest prayer is the basis of effective action.

Yours faithfully,

GEORGE FREDERICK NOVA SCOTIA

Primate.

Sunday School by Post and Radio

Miss L. Camp's annual report has come to hand. It tells a story of a great work well done. No one can possibly measure all the zeal, thought and energy and devotion which Miss Camp puts into this work-much less can we measure the results. If there has been any tendency to take it all for granted, let us awake to a new interest in 1949.

The registered membership of the Sunday School by Post and Radio is now 1566. Twenty-four pupils wrote the G.B.R.E. examinations and all passed and received their certificates, except two whose papers were received too late.

Malcolm Kent of Marwayne obtained the highest marks in the Bible Class Course, Arthur Avery in the Senior Uniform Course, and June Christopher

THE REV. J. E. WILLIAMS AND

MRS. WILLIAMS

reaches you we shall have welcomed

to All Saints' Cathedral as assistant to

the Dean, the Rev. J. E. Williams. Mr.

and Mrs. Williams sailed from South-

ampton on January 11th, and will be

welcomed by the Cathedral congrega-

tion on the evening of Monday, January

Both are natives of Carmarthenshire,

Wales, and were educated in the same

Grammar School. Mrs. Williams has

been a school teacher in various Church

Schools in England and Wales. Her

chief interest, however, is music, having

acted as organist in one church in Eng-

land, and holding the L.R.A.M. degree

for pianoforte. Mr. Williams is a Bachelor of Arts of St. David's College,

Lampeter, and a Graduate in Theology

of the same institution. He volunteered

for the R.A.F. in the outbreak of war,

and served for 51/2 years in the North

African Campaign (Desert Air Force)

and in the Southern France and Italian

Campaigns. At Lampeter he gained

"colours" in rugby football and cricket,

and is keenly interested in outdoor

sports. Among his other interests is

that of dramatics, having had some

to Canada and to the Diocese, and pray

We bid them both a warm welcome

experience on the stage.

Before the Edmonton Churchman

of Marwayne in the Junior Uniform Course. Our congratulations go to these pupils.

In the performance of her duties Miss Camp travelled by car about 4,000 miles-visiting 210 families, giving instruction in homes, finding 38 children for baptism and confirmation.

All English War Brides in the area were visited and given literature to help them in the religious training of their children.

Miss Camp's report concludes by asking for the prayers and support of this work in the Name of Him who called and blessed the little ones. Let us who really have the interest of the Church and the children at heart heed and answer that call.

FROG LAKE CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Friday evening, December 17, the Indians of the Frog Lake Reserve held their annual Christmas Party. The Bishop, accompanied by Dr. Phillips, motored from Edmonton, bringing gifts for all. It was indeed a great pleasure to see and hear our Bishop, who brought us greetings from the King and Oueen.

The hall was filled to capacity and was nicely decorated in keeping with Christmas including a large tree just packed with presents.

The children of the Day School provided entertainment with recitations, songs and a quadrille by the juniors. Mrs. Frank Bristow played the organ.

The Bishop's address was the highlight of the evening. The children were very pleased when he told them that they sang better than last year. When the children were asked if they knew their prayers, they were able to recite one that the Bishop had taught them two years ago.

Our thanks go to all who donated the gifts brought by the Bishop. A box of toys was received from the Rev. T. Teape of Vermilion, for which we express our thanks.

Santa Claus had quite a struggle getting in through the crowd to greet the boys and girls and to give them their presents. Candies, apples, oranges and nuts, bought with money provided by the Indians, were passed around.

Again we wish to thank all who helped by their donations or their work to make our Christmas party a merry one. To see and hear Bishop Barfoot again, has made us very happy and we hope he can be with us again soon.

Cause and Effect?

The rector was making his announcements: "Next Sabbath morning there will be special music by the choir, assisted by the new organist. The church will be closed the following three Sundays for repairs."

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God's blessing on their life and work ere.

24th.

Owen Memorial Fund Contributions Overdue

By HAROLD L. WEIR, O.B.E.

This diocese lags sadly behind the other districts in Canada in its contributions to the Archbishop Owen Memorial.

Practically nothing has been subscribed here, while in some other dioceses the full quota has been received.

Now I urge you most earnestly to get these donations into the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer of the diocese at the earliest possible moment, not only because the self-respect of the diocese is involved, but because the Memorial, for various reasons, is eminently worth while and will confer a tremendous spiritual benefit upon this ecclesiastical community and every person in it.

Those of you who are acquainted with the life and work of Derwyn Trevor Owen, Primate of All Canada during the crucial years between 1934 and 1947, will not require to be told how richly his pastorate lends itself to commemoration.

Few high dignitaries of the Church have labored so incessantly to acquaint themselves with the entire Canadian scene.

He travelled extensively and understandingly without counting the cost to himself.

He had a remarkably clear view of the Anglican Communion in all its beauty and historic continuity.

He not only envisioned the Canadian Church as a highly unified entity, but saw it clearly in its relation to other Communions in Canada.

It was this realization of the part it had to play in collaboration with other Communions that so amply justified his selection as first President of the Canadian Council of Churches.

Teaching of Church

But His Grace the late Primate was not only the outstanding proponent of unity within the Church, to which his amazing charm and kindliness were forever devoted, but he was also mindful and watchful of the teaching of the Church.

He continually placed emphasis upon the need for preserving the doctrines of the Faith in their purity. He stood for an understanding and enlightened Anglicanism.

The educational standards of the clergy were his continual concern.

In his view, both clergy and laity must know the Faith to love the Faith.

Therefore it can be said that his ministry moved always towards a unified Church and towards an enlightened Church.

Perpetuating His Purposes

Now when it pleases God to remove from this earth those great men and women who stand high in our reverence and affection and whose work has meant much to us, it also pleases Him to make available to us those means by which their labors may be perpetuated among us.

Contributions to the Archbishop Owen Memorial Fund should be sent immediately to the Venerable S. F. Tackaberry, Secretary-Treasurer of the Diocese of Edmonton, at the Synod Office, 10029 103 Street, Edmonton.

Thus, there is a way by which the great light which was Derwyn Trevor Owen may be made to shine upon us for a term longer than his lifetime.

That way lies in perpetuating his purposes.

For that reason, the distinguished committee which set about the discovery of a Memorial that would most fittingly commemorate his Primacy had to look for a means that would fulfil the double purpose of contributing to the unification of the Church and contributing towards the spiritual enlightenment of its people.

The means they found, I think, were most excellent.

Itinerant Lectureship

The Archbishop Owen Memorial consists of two parts.

The first part is a Lectureship which will bring to Church audiences in this country, from time to time, the most noted scholars or writers of international reputation to lecture to Canadian churchmen and churchwomen on the general subject:

"The Church of England in relation to present day problems."

These lecturers will be selected by a special committee of the General Synod which will also fix the time and place and subject matter of each address.

The lectures will be published and circulated so that their impact upon the thinking of the Canadian Church may be as widespread and forceful as possible.

The peculiar virtue in this Lectureship is that it will afford a contact with the most brilliant thinking of the Communion in other parts of the world.

In this respect, it will contribute definitely and richly to both the unification and enlightenment of the Church and thus perpetuate the work of the late Primate.

Theological Scholarships

The second part of the Archbishop Owen Memorial consists of two scholarships or bursaries in Theology to be awarded each year to students in any of the Canadian Theological Colleges.

We should note carefully, in this diocese, that conditions of the awards provide that preference will be given to those students who are ready to serve, upon graduation, in one of the Church's missionary areas.

With the clergy shortage so acute as it is at present, these scholarships and the conditions under which they are to be awarded are of vital interest to this diocese of Edmonton.

The establishment of the Memorial, therefore, not only holds out a benefit to the whole Church, but a particular and intimate benefit to ourselves.

\$50,000 Required

The sum required to found and endow the Lectureship and Scholarships

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A.Y.P.A.

In September the officers for the coming year were installed at a service held after the 8:30 a.m. Corporate Communion, and those installed were: President, Harry Shell; Vice-President, Dave Clevely; Secretary, Peg Hodges; Treasurer, Joan Waithe.

The A.Y. Council has sponsored four events so far this season. In October we had the Hard Times party at St. Mark's; in November we had the Charade Contest at St. Luke's; in December we had a Christmas party at St. Peter's Parish Hall. The members who attended this party brought tins of food which was put into a hamper and sent to the Sisters of St. John's. On the 15th of January we held our sleigh ride.

At the regular monthly meetings of the Council, the Rev. H. Buchner has been giving us a talk, and at the last meeting he stressed the need for the members of the A.Y. to read their Bibles regularly, and suggested that we join the Bible Reading Fellowship.

Thanks go to all the A.Y.'s for their splendid support of activities. If any young people in out-of-town points would care to join us in the future, please drop us a line to obtain more information.

Our very good friend and chaplain, the Rev. H. Buchner is leaving us, and we wish to thank him for the time, patience and understanding he has used on our behalf. We are sorry to see him go, but our loss will be Edson's gain.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY

At a supper meeting held monthly of the Anglican Girls' Council on Jan. 17th at the Synod Office, there was a discussion regarding a membership drive. It was decided that the drive would end on March 31st, and results would be posted on a graph, with each group having a different colour.

The girls suggested that they would like to get as many G.A. members from outside points to the spring festival as possible, and also that each group would entertain them during some week-end when ideas would be exchanged with a view of making a closer union with all members.

At a social evening held at All Saints' Parish Hall, Bishop Barfoot showed a very interesting movie on England and the Lambeth Conference. The Bishop spoke of the highlights of the Conference and his trip to Holland. A movie on the Anglican Girls' Senior Camp at Kapasiwin was shown also.

A short church service was held, after which Jean Whittingback, Diocesan Girls' President, led the girls in games. Refreshments were served.

ELIZABETH HOUSE GUILD REPORTS FINE YEAR

The Third Annual Meeting of the Elizabeth House Guild was held in All Saints' Parish Hall on January 14. The reports covered fifteen months as the date of the Annual Meeting was changed in March, 1948, from September to January.

During this fifteen months period the Guild held fourteen regular meetings and one special meeting.

Since the last annual meeting there have been two major accomplishments. First, the Guild recommended to the Board of Directors of Elizabeth House that a layman with a working knowledge of construction operations be added to their number. Mr. Arthur J. Brown consented to accept the post and has been a most valuable addition. Secondly, was the approval and paying for the addition to the living room which enlarged that room and provided two more bedrooms. This was done in such a way that if and when the time comes that a larger living room should be needed the bedroom partitions can be removed and a large spacious living room would be the result.

There have been two minor improvements, which include the removal of the trees from the front of the House so that a lawn might be planted, and the repairs to the foundation. The foundation repairs are not quite complete but this will be done as soon as weather permits.

Through the generosity of the Northwestern Utilities the cooking facilities have been greatly improved at the House by the contribution of another stove and repairs to the old one.

Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. T. Dickson in loaning their home in September, 1948, a most successful coffee party was held.

It is with regret that we learn that the Mother Superior of the Order of St. John the Divine has called Sister Isabel east to continue her work elsewhere. Best wishes are extended to Sister Amelia in her new role as Sisterin-Charge of the Elizabeth House.

As to the repairs to the House, the Guild will soon be confronted with such projects as the porches, the stuccoing and the grounds. Already the porch off the kitchen has been completed, some materials paid for, but no bill for the labour has yet been submitted, but the front porch will have to await warmer weather. Recently the House has been insulated and the dumb-waiter is about ready for use.

The Guild during the past five years has raised the sum of \$24,869.26. At the present time there is \$2,923.68 on hand, but \$400 was received in December, 1948, from the Tegler Trust and must be transferred to the Board of Directors of Elizabeth House because under the terms establishing the Tegler Trust they are unable to contribute to capital expenditures, but can contribute to maintaining such a home. Since about fifty per cent of the Guests at Elizabeth House are old age pensioners, this yearly grant has done much to help with current expenses.

During the past fifteen months the Guild events have raised more money than at any other similar period. At the Fifth Annual Bazaar, which was held November 19, 1948, more money was raised than at any other previous bazaar.

The following is the financial statement submitted by Mrs. T. Dickson:

Statement or Receipts and Disbursements for the period from September 16, 1947, to January 6, 1949.

Receipts

Bank Balance, Sept. 16, 1947......\$3,579.02 Donations—

Robert Tegler Trust.....\$800.00 Women's

	1,377.12
Membership Fees	160.00
Bazaar, 1947	661.45
Bazaar, 1948	892.91
Rummage Sale, 1947	57.66
Rummage Sale, 1948	100.16
2nd Anniversary Tea	221.00
Coffee Party	195.58
Needlepoint Stool	70.10
Night Dress	31.55
Interest on Bank Account	80.53

\$7,427.08

Disbursements

Repairs and Improvements	
to Elizabeth House	3,933.90
Elizabeth House—re Robert	
Tegler Trust	400.00
Postage and Stationery	30.81
Bazaar Expense	138.69
Bank balance, Jan. 6, 1949	2,923.68

\$7,427.08

NASH & NASH, Chartered Accountants.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY DONATIONS

WOMEN S AUXILIANT DONAIT	
St. Faith's Evening Group	
St. Luke's	
Christ Church Evening Group	10.00
St. George's, Fort Sask.	5.00
Irwinville	6.05
Irma	5.00
Landonville	2.00
St. Dunstan's	10.00
Viking	5.00
Winfield	5.00
Church of Good Shepherd	10.00
Jarvie	5.00
Camrose	5.00
St. Mark's	5.00
St. Patrick's, Heath	5.00
St. Mary's	10.00
Wainwright	25.00
Christ Church	25.00
St. Paul's	10.00
Seba Beach	10.00
Cadomin	10.00
Sedgewick	5.00
St. Peter's Evening	2.00
Wetaskiwin Evening	5.00
St. Paul's Afternoon	5.00
Luscar	10.00
Drayton Valley	5.00
Lougheed	10.00
Vermilion	5.00
Tofield	5.00
Ponoka Evening	5.00
St. Mary's Evening	
Mannville	5.00
Kitscoty	15.00
Irwinville	5.00
Holy Trinity Parish Guild	25.00
St. John's, Onoway	5.00
St. Luke's Afternoon	5.00
All Saints' Afternoon	15.00
Killam	
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\$327.55

Officers for 1949: Hon. Pres., Mrs. W. F. Barfoot; Hon. Vice-President, Mrs. Frank Ford; Pres., Mrs. H. L. Weir; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. C. E. Ross; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. P. Lefroy; Sec., Mrs. N. A. Kilburn; Treas., Mrs. Courtland Linton.

VERMILION-WAINWRIGHT DEANERY CHAPTER MEETING

Pursuant to notice the members of the Vermilion - Wainwright Deanery Chapter assembled at Mannville on January 11th for the first quarterly meeting of 1949. The session opened with the sacrament of the Holy Communion, with the rector of Mannville acting as celebrant.

The members were entertained to luncheon at the rectory, following which they re-assembled for the business session at 2:00 p.m.

The first item on the agenda was the roll call, the following being present: Rural Dean Orme, Reverends Cole, Brant, Teape, Ellway and Smith. The minutes of the previous meeting held at Vegreville on November 16th were adopted as printed and circulated.

Under business arising out of minutes, careful and correct inscription of all church records was emphasized. It was stated by one member that he had recently received a call from an Edmonton law firm desiring information regarding a wedding which took place in 1919, but which had never been registered at the Bureau of Vital Statistics. The informant remarked that he eventually located the desired information, but found that the officiating clergyman had inserted one Christian name for the bridegroom, and that the party in question had signed a totally different name. What is more the record of this particular marriage was written in pencil. This one error on the part of the officiating clergyman caused a good deal of confusion to all parties concerned; the writing of several letters and a trip to the office of the Commissioner of Oaths.

The subject of Parish Visiting came under discussion. It was agreed by all that whilst it is undoubtedly an important part of the clergyman's duty, yet for many reasons, it is not possible for the average clergyman to perform this duty in a satisfactory manner. In the rural parish, the lack of trained leaders for the various organizations means that, of a necessity, the clergyman must plan for and personally supervise many of the groups. Junior Choir work proved to be an interesting and fruitful topic. It brought to light the fact that we are all faced with the difficulty of finding suitable anthem material for the junior choir. As a result of this discussion the Rev. Harry Brant was invited to present a paper on Church Music at the next Chapter meeting. It was unanimously agreed that we invite Bishop Barfoot to be present at thenext meeting.

Mr. Orme invited the members to meet at Tofield for the next meeting at 11:30 on March 28th. The remainder of the business period was filled with a discussion upon the subject of Mixed Marriages, especially with regard to a certain denomination which does not willingly accept the union of members of other denominations with members of their own body, except where certain reservations are endorsed regarding the progeny of such a union. Whilst the strongest deprecation possible voiced by all members regarding this practice, it was felt that as a protective measure, some counter declaration should be instigated by our own church, whereby the declarant would acknowledge the authority of the church in this matter. Notice of motion was given by two members that a resolution regarding Mixed Marriages would be presented at the next Chapter meeting.

Owen Memorial Fund

Continued from Page 12 is \$50,000 and this is the objective of this appeal.

In these worthy purposes, commemorating so aptly the work of our beloved Primate and holding out the promise of inestimable benefits to the spiritual life of the Church in Canada, every communicant in this diocese will wish to share.

This is not a project to which the giving must be confined to large sums.

The large donations are welcome and essential, of course. But the nickels and dimes are welcome too.

Every cent contributed to this purpose will be blessed because the purpose itself is sanctified to the greater glory of God through His Church.

The point to remember is that we are very late in commencing this campaign.

Contributions should be made immediately.

Declined

"Daddy, a man gave me a big plate full of money at church this morning."
"Gave you——?"

"Yes; so I said, 'No thank you,' quite 'nicely."

Rural Deanery of Edmonton

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

The Very Rev. A. M. Trendell, D.D. The Rev. H. W. Buchner

The Congregational Meeting of the Parish is to be held on Monday, January 24th, when the past happy and successful year will be reviewed and officers elected to carry on for 1949. On this occasion the congregation will be welcoming the Reverend John Williams and his wife from Wales. Mr. Williams is coming as assistant to the Dean, succeeding the Rev. H. W. Buchner, who now leaves us to go to points west—Edson, the Coal Branch and the Drayton Valley Mission.

The Christmas Services this year were very beautiful—Mr. Tims again had beautifully decorated the Church, and the choir and music was, as always, very lovely. The Sunday after Christmas the choir presented a Carol Service in the evening.

The Annual Meeting of the Senior Branch of the W.A. was held on January 6th. Inspiring reports were read by the leaders of each group. We thank God for a successful and happy past year and pray for His blessing on the coming year. Our new officers are: President, Mrs. Horne; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Craigie; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Lefroy; Treasurer, Mrs. Harvey; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sheldon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Murray; Dorcas Secetary, Mrs. Regan; Living Message, Mrs. Smith; Hospital Visitor, Mrs. Booth; Prayer Partner, Mrs. Hill; Tea Hostess, Mrs. Richens; E.C.D. and U.T.O., Mrs. Barford.

Our Devotional Meeting is to be January 20th, when we will be privileged to have Mrs. W. F. Barfoot as our guest speaker. We have also invited the members of St. Stephen's W.A. and the Mission W.A. We are looking forward to meeting these ladies very much.

CHRIST CHURCH, EDMONTON

The New Year begins for us with a renewed sense of our obligations and opportunities in the Church. This sense was heightened for us by the visit of Canon Warner of London, Ontario, through the Mission held in the Parsih during December. For a long time to come we shall be feeling the effects of the Mission, in the reviving of our faith and in a more devoted obedience to the call of Christ to us through the Church.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Congregation, held on Jan. 17th, was a most gratifying one. The report of the Wardens on the finances of the Church showed a considerable increase in the givings of our people, more than sufficient to meet the greatly increased costs of operation during the year. The reports of the various organizations revealed good progress and encouraged us to hope for even greater things in

1949. Succeeding Mr. D. W. F. Richardson and Mr. R. P. Blakey, the new Wardens are Mr. F. H. King and Mr. E. Norman. An excellent and representative Vestry was elected to work with the new Wardens during the year.

W.A.: The Annual Meeting of the W.A., the reports showed that the year 1948 had been an active one in all branches. The attendance average was up over the previous, and there were several new members and two new Life Members, Mrs. C. S. Kilgour and Mrs. R. Slessor. These were presented with their pins at a service preceding the December meeting. The Annual Bazaar, convened by Mrs. E. Moorhouse, was excellently attended and very successful financially. Receipts from all sources during the year amounted to about \$1,600.00, and it had been possible to make a generous donation towards the expenses of the Church. Mr. Ottley thanked the ladies for their steady support of the Church and said that he watched with pleasure the great development during the past year. At the election which followed, Mrs. A. Adams was returned to office as President by acclamation. Plans were made for a Valentine Tea, to be held in the Parish Hall on February 16th, Mrs. W. D. Neely to be the con-

Sunday School: The Sunday School Christmas parties held in December were a great success. Both the Beginners and Junior Departments revealed a considerable amount of "talent"; and the large number of parents present showed an interest in the work of the School that was most gratifying to the teachers. The superintendent of our Junior School, Mr. Percy Brown, has found it necessary to give up his connection with the School, after a long period of activity in various branches of his work. We are glad to know that he is still available for occasional assistance when it is needed. He has been succeeded by Mr. J. L. Lees, who has stepped into the breach and is now ably carrying on.

Choir: In spite of the loss of our Choirmaster, Mr. Leonard Betts, the Choir have been carrying on faithfully under the temporary direction of our organist, Miss Teape. The Christmas music, presented at the Carol Service and on Christmas Day, was greatly appreciated by the congregation. It is our hope that the leadership of the Choir will be suitably arranged for by the time our next notes come out.

HOLY TRINITY. EDMONTON

Canon W. M. Nainby

Most organizations have now held their annual meetings and elected their officers for 1949. The reports have given us much pleasure and cause for thankfulness, and will be printed for distribution at the Congregational meeting. Officers elected as as follows:

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Parish Guild: President, Mrs. C. B. Rich; Vice-President, Mrs. P. Johnson; Secretary, Mrs. A. Livingstone; Treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Balfour; Past President, Mrs. A. H. Lord.

Mothers' Union: Enrolling Member, Mrs. A. Crook; Secretary, Mrs. S. Marshall; Treasurer, Mrs. C. Mison; Literature Secretary, Mrs. R. Wood; Corresponding, Mrs. D. Kavanagh.

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Choir: President, Mr. T. Walton; Vice-President, Mrs. C. R. Manahan; Secretary, Miss N. Sharp; Treasurer, Mr. G. Johnson; Librarian, Mr. C. Mison, assisted by Mrs. T. M. Mackie and Mr. A. H. Rayment; Sick Visitor, Miss I. Ellis; Registrars, Miss V. Hill-Male and Mr. T. Walton; C.M. Secretary, Miss Hill-Male; Social Convener, Mrs. T. Mackie; Robes, Mrs. C. Manahan, with Mrs. G. Price and Mrs. Bowers; Auditor, Mr. A. H. Rayment. The Choir annual party will be held at the Corona on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd.

Men's Club: To the Men's Club goes the honour of being the first to make use of the new hall. The annual meeting took the form of a supper meeting in the hall, and a most excellent supper it proved to be. Later two most interesting films were shown. Our thanks to all who helped make the evening an outstanding success.

The new Executive is as follows: President, J. Smith; Past President, S. B. Clarke; 1st Vice-President, G. D. Hare; 2nd Vice-President, H. P. Rocke; Treasurer, B. A. Richardson; Secretary, R. Garrett; Counsellors, Messrs. F. J. Fishburne, L. A. Fishburne, J. Martindale, A. H. Rayment, A. E. Salter and G. Turner.

The Men's Club will meet for a Corporate Communion on Sunday, Feb. $20\mathrm{th}$.

A.Y.P.A.: The A.Y. has maintained its splendid membership and enjoyed a fine sleigh ride to the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Clarke recently. Both A.Y. and Chi Rho meet each month for Communion and breakfast.

Confirmation Classes will commence on Jan. 31st, with classes for Students at 7:00 p.m. and for Adults at 8:15 p.m. We would be glad to receive the names of any desirous of being confirmed this year.

ST. FAITH'S

The Rev. L. M. Watts The Rev. G. W. Wilson

The Christmas Season has been both uplifting and busy. Carol Services held December 19th, were the best attended in years, seating capacity being taxed to the utmost both morning and evening. The midnight service Christmas Eve, and those held on Christmas Day, proved again that the majority of people believe there is only one way of celebrating the birth of Christ. The church was decorated by Sanctuary Guild members and their helpers, who are to be congratulated on the beauty they created. The Sunday School party was held December 20th in the Eastwood Community Hall.

St. Faith's took an active part in the "Week of Prayer" services. The Rev. T. J. Stainton, of Eastwood United, was guest speaker at St. Faith's on the Friday, with Rev. L. M. Watts speaking at Norwood United on Monday evening, and Rev. G. W. Wilson at Eastwood United on Thursday evening.

Confirmation classes are under way once again, instruction being given each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested should contact the Rector.

At the regular evening service on January 16th, new officers of the Afternoon and Evening W.A.'s were admitted by the Rector. Mrs. Cline Thompson was made a Life Member of the Edmonton Diocesan Board W.A. by the Evening Group at this service. The E.G.W.A. members were happy to be able to give her the honor of being the first Life Member created by their group, both for her service before and after joining them, and for the Christian Faith she and her family have shown during the past several years. After the service all W.A. members were entertained at the home of Mrs. F. Varlow, Evening Group president.

Annual meetings are the order of the day and the Afternoon W.A. held their meeting January 12th. Reports outlined one of the most outstanding years on record, with the financial report showing excellent returns for all the hard work. The following officers were elected for 1949: President, Mrs. E. Currey; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. C. Field; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. W. Pattison; Secretary, Mrs. E. Lewis; Treasurer, Mrs.

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The Evening Group held a combined business and annual meeting at the home of Mrs. L. M. Watts. Letters of thanks were read from the Rev. Mr. Smith, Birmingham, England, and Canon Webster, Coppermine, N.W.T. All reports showed increased activity in all branches of W.A. work, the treasurer read a financial statement, the best in the history of the Evening Group. Plans were made for the service of installation of W.A. officers, and the entertaining of the Afternoon W.A. members at tea.

The Girls' Auxiliary Annual opened with a service in the church for the girls and their families. Later the G.A. served tea to their mothers in the church room. Three badges have been worked for and earned during the year and plans for obtaining the chevron for nursing and handicraft are already under way. A rally at All Saints was attended by the girls. The Bishop spoke to them about his overseas trip and showed slides taken at that time. With Mrs. C. Field as leader the following officers will head the G.A. for 1949: President, Norma Strange; Vive-Presidents, Marilynn Mieske and Joan Armstrong; Treasurer, Maureen Varlow.

ST. LUKE'S, EDMONTON Canon A. Wallis

First among the Christmas Services was our White Gift Sunday when the children of the Sunday School and members of the Junior and Senior choirs presented a Nativity play. A manger set up in the chancel soon filled to overflowing with groceries, toys and books which were later sent to gladden the hearts of "others." The children taking part in the play were well trained and the music was beautifully rendered. This annual service is one to which everyone looks forward and is always a source of inspiration and joy.

On Christmas Eve the Holy Eucharist was celebrated at 11:30 p.m. with a fully choral service. The joy of Christmas was apparent in the rendering of the music by the choir and congrega-tion, who joined in the familiar hymns and carols with gladness of heart. Services on Christmas Day included one for the children when members of the Sunday School came to worship the Holy Babe of Bethlehem. On the Sunday after Christmas the carol service was well attended and many of the old favorites and some newer numbers were delightfully sung. Let us keep the Spirit of Christmas alive and vigorous until next December: "Lo, I am with you alway!"

The Sunday School Christmas Party was a happy time for all. The Primary met in the afternoon on Dec. 29th and the Senior School in the evening. Many thanks to all those teachers and parents who helped to ensure the success of this occasion.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held their annual meeting recently

when Mrs. W. H. Barker was re-elected president. All pledges were met and \$50.00 sent to the Church Vestry. The Evening Branch also held their annual meeting and Mrs. Harold Bradley was named president. This group sent \$50.00 towards the mission apportionment and reported all pledges paid.

The annual Parochial Meeting was held on Monday, Jan. 17th, when Mr. Fred Clark was re-elected People's Warden and Mr. G. F. Whittingback was again appointed as Vicar's Warden. Encouraging accounts of church activities were given by officers of the various organizations showing a great deal accomplished during 1948.

The Sanctuary Guild are holding a Valentine Tea at the Vicarage on Monday, Feb. 14th, at 8:00 p.m. It is hoped that many friends will attend and give their support to the Guild who are doing a good work for the church in keeping the Sanctuary so beautiful.

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy to the Bradley family in the loss of their mother. The late Mr. and Mrs. Bradley were members of St. Luke's for many years, and their boys and girls grew up in the parish and

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have helped in many ways in the upbuilding of the church's work. May our Heavenly Father comfort them and keep them in remembrance of the reunion that they will share in the Kingdom of

Holy Matrimony—On Dec. 4, 1948, Gerald Scottowe Smith and Joycelyn Edith Harrington.

Burial-Dec. 29, Margaret Louisa Bradley.

ST. PETER'S

The Rev. R. S. Faulks

The Sunday evening before Christmas was a memorable occasion in the 1948 story of our parish, for the Carol Service was a joy to everyone present. The special lighting effects ,the fine presentation of the choir numbers, the full participation by the packed-in congregation made this occasion of wor-ship one of deep and happy impression. And our particular thanks to Dr. Tackaberry for taking charge of the service on this day. It was good to see so many out to make their Communion on this great festival, and to have such excellent attendance on the following Sundays. Our appreciation to the choir, and particularly on the Christmas Sunday family service at noon. The little ones and their parents enjoyed the singing so very much.

We are most grateful to our Bishop, and to the Archdeacon for their presence and addresses on the 35th anniversary of the first service held in the parish. Despite the cold they both had a good hearing from the congregation! Everyone seems to have enjoyed hearing on this occasion, and at Christmas, the sound of bell peals, and chimes, amplified from the church tower. They were a happy surprise to so many, especially when it was discovered that it was our church tower that was so

The social evening was a grand success. You should have heard the ladies laugh when they saw the styles of the 90's, in the movies! Miss M. Turner, Miss M. Clegg, and Mr. E. Ledgard entertained us with delightful songs. The Afternoon W.A. provided excellent refreshments, which we enjoyed while visiting one another for the closing hour of the evening.

The Afternoon W.A. held their annual meeting at the beginning of the Month, and re-elected Mrs. Rock as president. There was an excellent attendance, and keen interest in the proceedings. Mrs. Marsden was acclaimed Honorary President; Mrs. Ambrose, Vice-President; Mrs. Glover and Mrs. Flesher, Secretaries; Mrs. Young, Treasurer; Mrs. Harris, Educational Secretary; Mrs. Patrick, E.C.D.; Mrs. Robins, U.T.O. and Prayer Partner.

GOOD SHEPHERD

A very happy evening was spent by the Sunday School pupils and staff on the occasion of the Christmas Party. Several short Christmas flims were shown, put on by the Rev. F. A. Peake. Then followed games and a singsong and then the joyful arrival of Santa, with a generous load of gifts for all present! The party came to a close with a splendid lot of refreshment, and much merriment among the children.

Christmas Eve we had our customary midnight service of the Holy Communion. There was a good attendance, and it was nice to have Mrs. Brown and Ethel with us. It has been a long time since they were able to be present. The Carol Service on Christmas Sunday was a real festival of song, and very much enjoyed by all taking part in it.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. must have been the first to hold its annual meeting in the parish, and elected Mrs. Wills as president for the ensuing year, but the completed list of officers is to be made at the next meeting.

The parish wishes to express its congratulations and appreciation to Mr. W. E. Briggs on twenty-five years as Warden of the Good Shepherd Church. Much of that time he was also Sunday School Superintendent, and nearly all of that time has been the church organist. His association with the parish is much longer than that, and we trust he will continue to enjoy his share in the work of the church in this parish, and so, by and by, establish further anniversaries of honourable mention!

ST. STEPHEN'S

The Rev. C. E. F. Wolff

The year-end was a crowded season at St. Stephen's, commencing with the Festival of the Nine Carols on Sunday evening, Dec. 19th. The traditional Midnight Eucharist was sung commencing with the blessing of the crib at 11:45 on Friday night, the 24th. The Eucharist was well attended and sung to selections from the Missa de Angelis (Kyrie Eleison), Butcher's Missa Brevis (Sanctus and Benedictus), Merbecke (Credo and Gloria in Excelsis) and the Agnus Dei from Healy Willan's Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena.

On Christmas morning there was another well attended Solemn Eucharist, also choral and sung to the same music. The following day, St. Stephen's day, falling on Sunday, made it possible to observe the Patronal Festival with a Solemn Eucharist in the morning and Solemn Evensong in the evening. A carol service was sung on the evening of the following Sunday.

Epiphany was marked by two celebrations of Holy Communion, at which there were a gratifying number of communicants. The festival was observed by Solemn Eucharist with Procession on the following Sunday.

The rector asks to be allowed this opportunity to extend his thanks to the servers, the choir and the organist for the magnificent effort which made these services the success they were.

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A wedding of more than ordinary interest to the parish was held on Monday, Dec. 27th, when Margaret Laura Koyich became the bride of Russell Roy Williams, of Edmonton. For a number of years Mrs. Williams had been active in many branches of the parish's work, including the choir and the church school. The wedding service, performed by the rector, was fully choral, and Miss Alvera Hadley sang Schubert's 'Ave Maria.''

Another wedding solemnized at St. Stephen's during December was that of Marie Hamilton and Joseph William Worobeck.

Three adult candidates were brought to the Bishop of Edmonton for confirmation on Dec. 15th. They were Nellie Mary Bradshaw, Margaret McNinch and James Gordon Clarke.

The Altar Guild and the Women's Auxiliary both were able to report successful years at their annual meetings on January 11th and 4th respectively. The Altar Guild, whose regular meetings are held in the vestry at 2:30 p.m. of the second Tuesday of each month, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Countess De La Feld; Vice-President, Mrs. L. D. Byrne; Secretary, Mrs. M. T. Hirst; Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff; Needlework Convenor, Mrs. H. L. Weir.

The Women's Auxiliary, which meets on the first and third Tuesday at 2:30 p.m., elected the following officers: President, Mrs. C. Pridmore; Vice-President, Mrs. T. J. Jones; Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. L. Young; Little Helpers Secretary, Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff; Education Secretary, Mrs. Elsie Buckingham; Dorcas Convenors, Mrs. R. J. Paice and Mrs. J. Cairns.

BON ACCORD

The Rev. W. W. Buxton

Despite a very cold and stormy day, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, was the occasion of a very impressive and well-attended confirmation service. The church was filled to the door and every-one was so impressed by the way the Bishop so fittingly told the origin of the hymn, "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" and asked those newly confirmed to pattern their lives on the moral which lies behind the writing of this hymn. Those confirmed were: Lucy Bland, Marjorie Milligan, Joyce Burton

and John V. Milligan. A reception was held later in the day in conjunction with the Gibbons congregation at Gibbons Community Hall and a very enjoyable time was held by all present.

Our Christmas Eve service of Holy Communion was very well attended and the church beautifully decorated with spruce and holly, and alight with candles for the occasion.

The annual W.A. meeting held at the home of Mrs. Cline with Mrs. Sellick as hostess was very well attended. Officers for 1949 are as follows: President, Mrs. H. W. Cline; Vice-President, Mrs. S. F. Burton; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Bland; Little Helpers, Mrs. M. Hewitt; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Allen; Sunday School by Post and Air, Mrs. J. R. Milligan; Flower Committee, Mrs. C. Williams.

At this meeting plans were made for the forthcoming parish supper to be held Thursday, Feb. 3rd.

ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

The Sunday School Party was held in the Parish Hall on December 29th. Most of the pupils were able to attend and all present had a good time. We were glad to have the mothers present.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. R. T. M. Puddicombe with five members present. After the regular meeting the annual meeting was held. The following were elected to office: Mrs. C. T. Dickson, President; Mrs. R. T. M. Puddicombe, Vice-President; Mrs. E. O. Wilkinson, Secretary; Mrs. F. Pow, Treasurer. A vote of thanks was moved for the past officers. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. F. Pow.

ST. PAUL'S

145 St. and Stony Plain Rd. The Rev. G. D. Kelly

Christmas seems to be a long time past now, but looking back in the parish register and comparing attendances over the past few years we are happy to find that there has been a continual increase year by year and so Christmas 1948 marked up a new record. The fact that so many of the younger people attended the Christmas morning service was particularly gratifying.

As these notes go to print, two important events are impending. The Annual Congregational Meeting on

Thursday, January 20th, and the Confirmation Service on Sunday, January 23rd. The news concerning both will be carried in the next issue of The Churchman.

The Afternoon W.A. Group held their annual meeting on January 12th and reported an excellent year's work. Officers elected for 1949 were: Honorary President, Mrs. G. Kelly; President, Mrs. C. Hawkins; Vice-President, Mrs. L. Kvittem; Secretary, Mrs. R. A. Davidson; Treasurer, Mrs. R. Cook; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. R. Carey; U.T.O. and E. C. D. Secretary, Mrs. C. Karran; Living Message, Mrs. L. W. Pinckston; Education Secretary, Mrs. G. Kelly; Prayer Partner Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Langford.

The Evening Group of the W.A. held their annual meting on January 12th and presented to the meeting a report of the year's successful activities. The new slate of officers elected for 1949 was: Honorary President, Mrs. G. D. Kelly; President, Mrs. O. Brown; Vice-President, Mrs. A. Walker; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. C. Johnson; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. C. Campbell; U.T.O. and E.C.D. Secretary, Mrs. R. H. Pawsey; Educational Secretary, Mrs. A. McNair; Little Helpers Representative, Mrs. I. Sharpe.

Reports from our Sunday School tell of a steady increase in numbers. At the annual Christmas Party it was a case of "rafter room only" and the need for a larger and more convenient parish plant was brought vividly to our attention. We look forward with keen anticipation to the possibility of our new Church and Guild room being completed and in use by this time next year.

We regret losing the services of Mrs. H. P. Brown as choir leader. On the advice of her doctor she has had to resign. We all appreciate the invalu-



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able contribution that the choir makes in leading us in our praise and would like to thank Mrs. Brown for the interest she has taken while serving as leader. We need about six adult members and would appreciate hearing from any who are interested.

Would subscribers to The Edmonton Churchman send in their subscriptions as soon as possible. The last issue (January) carried a special envelope for that purpose—50c a year.

Baptisms: Sharon Louise Madlung, Rolland Lyle Burton, Judith Florence Burton, Mildred Fay Burton, Donna May Burton, Bruce Frederick McAlpine, Elizabeth Noreen Moore, Garry Cuthbert Brown, Irene Joan Wear.

Marriage: Arthur Rae Wagar and Gladys Tegnander.

GRAND CENTRE

Lay Reader, H. J. Ayres

Advent Services this year were well attended, and a good preparation was made for Christmas Communions. On Dec. 19th we held our Christmas Services, and again welcomed our Bishop. All Services were well attended, with well over forty receiving their Communion. In the afternoon, the Bishop confirmed three adults and one boy, and followed with the Baptism of two brothers. We were all very glad to see our Bishop again, and to hear from him at first hand regarding the Church in other parts and in the Old Country, and also to hear of his own experiences in meeting other Bishops of our World Wide Communion. We were also glad to have Dr. Phillips from Edmonton University Hospital with us for the Festal Services. The Church was scrub-bed clean and beautifully decorated by the girls of the newly formed Church Girls' Club, as was the Church Hall, which was done by the Boys' Club. We are very proud of these two clubs, and we hope that they will steadily progress, and remain banded together, keeping up their good work. It is expected that at least some out of these clubs will satisfactorily pass into Scouts and Guides before the middle of the vear.

On Dec. 22nd, St. Thomas' Day, we laid to rest Robert "Scotty" Patterson

in the Soldiers' Section of our cemetery. The funeral was attended by over a hundred people.

On Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve, 22 persons attended a short service in the Church and visited the Crib.

Dec. 26th, St. Stephen's Day, service in the afternoon was for children and young people, and was conducted entirely by them, except for three short addresses.

Dec. 31st, New Year's Eve, Evensong was sung and an address given which outlined our year's work and gave vision and plans for the New Year.

Services and instruction for children will be taken in Church each Sunday from now until May 1st (except Sunday, Jan. 9th) by Mrs. Wotherspoon. It is hoped that parents will encourage their children to be regular at these services Sunday by Sunday, and coming themselves when able.

The Boys' Club will meet each Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. (except Saturday, Jan. 8th) and Mrs. Wotherspoon has kindly undertaken to act as Cubmistress until a leader can be found to carry on this work.

The Girls' Club will meet each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall, and will be taking their tests for Guides under the direction of Mrs. Wotherspoon.

We are grateful to all those who have contributed so generously, making it possible for the Church to meet in full all commitments and to have a balance on hand.

We are grateful to those who have agreed to act as a Group Committee for Scouting in our district, and we are sure that they will do everything possible to further the work among the boys and girls in the community, all of them having boys and girls of their own in the organization.

Confirmations: Constance Mildred Patricia Lenko, Paul Peter Harbarenko, Olga Harbarenko, John William Gibbons.

Holy Baptism: Mabel Marie Smith, Ronald Milton Smith, Charles Ronald Leyton, Doreen Ann Smith, Dorothy May Smith, Mary Evelyn Leyton, Donald Roy Collins, Roger Roy Collins, David Smith, Richard Clarence Lenko, Paul Peter Harbarenko.

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The Rev. T. C. B. Boon

In spite of bitterly cold weather, we had very good Christmas Services and the Church looked very nice decorated with cedar, holly and Christmas trees. The decorations were kindly provided by Mrs. R. Price, Victoria, B.C., and Mrs. Thrasher, and the flowers by the Robson family.

There was a better attendance this year at the Watch-Night Services on New Year's Eve.

The Sunday School Christmas Party was a very happy affair. The grouping of the children for games was well organized, and refreshments provided by their mothers. We should also like to thank those who provided the gift of candy and fruit which each child received. The children themselves contributed a programme of songs and recitations. We are grateful to Mrs.

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Heckley and Mrs. Lewis for their assistance with the musical part of the afternoon.

At the close of the Morning Service on January 9th, Dorothy Peterson was presented with the Religious Tract Society prize for taking first place in St. Mary's Sunday School G.B.R.E. examinations. This is the second time Dorothy has gained this prize and we congratulate her.

The Vestry held a special meeting after the Evening Service on January 9th (this idea of having a meeting after Church service must have been inspired as we had a very good attendance of men in the congregation) and discussed the financial needs of the Church. Two efforts were decided upon to raise funds: the first, an "Old Time Box Social and Dance" on January 31st; this will be under the direction of Messrs. Cox and Crother, which, no doubt, will be a jolly affair. The second effort will take place on Shrove Tuesday, March 1st. This will take the form of a "Hot Cake Supper," Sale of Work and Musical Programme. The wives of the members of the Vestry have been co-opted to help in the crganization of this (but we understand that the "hot cakes" will definitely be made and served by the men folk). This is really a Parish effort, so please keep the date in mind and if you have not already been asked to help, offer to do so.

The E.B.W.A. held its annual meeting on January 10th with the following officers elected: Honorary President, Mrs. Boon; President, Mrs. James Ward (re-elected); Vice-President, Mrs. K. Alexander; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. B. Wilson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. Curry; Treasurer, Mrs. R. Nodgren; Dorcas Secretary, Ms. F. F. Crow-ther; Assistant Dorcas Secretary, Miss Ruth Atkinson; Social Service Secretary, Mrs. I. Hardy; Educational Secretary, Mrs. J. Warren; Thank-Offering Secretary, Mrs. W. Furlotte; Prayer Partner Secretary, Mrs. Boon; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. George Prowse: Junior Branch W.A. Superintendent, Mrs. M. L. Peterson. The Branch has done a splendid year's work, both in its missionary obligations and in the Parish, and the officers and members are to be sincerely congratulated not only upon their achievements but on their fine spirit of loyalty to the Church and its work. Amongst the reports received were those of the J.B.W.A. from the Superintendent, Mrs. Peterson, and the Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. Prowse. Both gave excellent reports. The J.A. report showed a successful year's work in every direction, and the Little Helpers' report an "all time high" with 46 members on the roll. We are very fortunate in our leadership in these organizations.

After our troubles with the Church heating on Christmas Eve and January 9th, one of our members brought this extract around to show us and we thought it should be shared. "In Brock-

ville, Ont.—The heating system of St. Peter's Anglican Church again took exception to the hymn, 'By Cool Siloam's Shady Rill.' It broke down just as it did on Jan. 9th, two years ago, when the congregation was singing the same hymn. This time the flock was wearing overcoats." So, we are not alone in our difficulties! We must, however, thank Mr. Richards and Mr. Prowse for rallying around in these emergencies. We should also like to thank Mr. Nordgren for his work on the Sunday School screens.

We express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Anderson and family in the passing on of Mr. Anderson. Mr. Anderson was one of the pioneers of the Peace River Country, had long service in the R.N.W.M.P. and had lived in Jasper since his retirement. His many friends will miss him.

ST. LUKE'S. CLYDE

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

On January 8th, St. Luke's W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Rorke. Owing to the extreme cold the attendance was smaller than usual and it was agreed to hold the election of officers at a special meeting to be called for that purpose. Miss Hall, our secretary, gave a very good report of the year's work, showing a balance of \$89.88 to the credit of the W.A., after paying apportionment and helping considerably with church expenses. All other work undertaken by the group was completed.

The Annual Congregational Meeting was held on Sunday, Jan. 9th, after evening service at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rorke, the Vicar being in the chair. The secretary gave a very satisfactory report of the year's work showing all obligations met. All officers of the church were returned to office, the names of Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Rorke being added to Vestry. Reports of the W.A. and the newly formed Guild were presented by their respective officers, the Vicar thanking the ladies warmly for their very timely help. It was decided to increase the insurance on Church building. After adjournment of the meeting Mrs. Rorke served coffee and cake, which was very much appreciated by all.

The Guild held a very successful candy sale at the School Christmas dance.

ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

The Sunday School Christmas Tree party was held on Monday, December 20th, Mrs. Tanton and Mrs. Royden Mahon being in charge of the gifts, etc. Everything went off well and the children had a delightful time.

Our Christmas Eve celebration was very much missed, but Canon Clough was here on the 26th, when we had a Communion Service, and Carols in the evening.

A funeral service for Mrs. Catherine Ann Kneen, who passed away on Dec. 16th, was held on Monday, Dec. 20th,

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Canon J. C. Matthews of Onoway officiating. The late Mrs. Kneen, who was predeceased by her husband some years ago, came from the Isle of Man in 1911, and leaves to mourn her passing one sister, Mrs. Forrest of Edson, and a brother, Mr. John Collett of Edmonton. Mrs. Kneen was one of our early W.A. members and may well be called one of Edson's old-timers. She will be much missed in the community a real loss to her sister, Mrs. Forrest, with whom she lived for 37 years.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held on Jan. 6th, when the following officers were appointed: Mrs. Lemottee, President; Mrs. Armour, Secretary, and Mrs. Tucker, Treasurer. Mrs. Botrakoff has volunteered to help Mrs. Ball with the Girls' Auxiliary, and Mrs. Yorke to look after the United Thankoffering.

Bishop Barfoot visited us this week, together with the Rev. H. W. Buchner. We look forward to Mr. Buchner's induction on the 30th of this month. A great deal of voluntary work has been done on the Rectory by a few of our

officers, for which we are all much indebted.

Marriage: Dean Stephens Marshall to Pearl Irene Moxam, in St. Jude's Anglican Church, Oakville, Ont., Dec. 11, 1948. The bride was given away by Mr. Cecil Saunders, and Mrs. Saunders was matron of honor, with Donald Mathers acting as best man. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. W. B. Moxam, Edson, and the bridegroom son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marshall of St. Catherine's Church, Edson. All the good wishes of this parish are extended to the young people.

SEBA BEACH

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held Jan. 11th, with Canon Mathews in the chair for the election of officers. Mrs. Laurence, President; Vice-President, Mrs. Cull; Mrs. J. Milner, Secretary; Mrs. Geldart, Treasurer; Mrs. Clark, Dorcas; Mrs. Bunting, Junior Leader; Mrs. Borthwick, Educational Secretary; Prayer Partner, Mrs. McKee; Delegate to D. Annual and Deanery, Mrs. McKee.

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INNISFREE

The Rev. V. P. Cole

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of the president, Mrs. O. Myhie. The reports of the year's work were most satisfactory. We have ten members and have held twelve regular meetings with an average attendance of seven. All our financial obligations have been met. Our Dorcas work was completed. We have almost finished the Study Book, 'One Family.'' During last year a Girls' Branch has been organized.

The following are the new officers: President, Mrs. Walter Kimmel; Vice-President, Mrs. O. Mylne; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Alice Bell; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. B. Kallis; Girls' Leader, Mrs. J. Kallis.

ST, ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

The Christmas Communion was celebrated Dec. 26. The next service is scheduled for $11:00~\alpha.m.$, Jan. 23rd.

The W.A. Christmas Party was held in the school Dec. 29th, with good attendance of kiddies and adults. A very good time was had by all, which was topped by a lovely lunch, Christmas cake and ice -ream. Thanks were tendered to those in charge and to those who in any way helped to make it the success it was.

The January W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. McDonald with a very good attendance. The usual monthly business was taken care of. It was decided to send for an order for bazaar work similar to last year, with each member giving two articles as last year. The next meeting will be

at the home of Mrs. W. R. Cornish in February.

Let us all try to make 1949 a record year in support of our **Churchman.**

ST. MARK'S, BLACKFOOT

The Rev. G. A. Harding, accompanied by Mrs. Harding, took the service on Dec. 5th, with a good attendance. At this service there were two baptized, Margaret Elsie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman G. Tallon, and Jim James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Weishaar.

Our Sunday School programme was held on Dec. 19th with thirty-two children and twenty adults present. Lunch was served after the programme at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Haight, where presents and treats were distributed.

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WAINWRIGHT

The Rev. F. E. Smith

Woman's Auxiliary: The annual meeting and election of officers was held recently in the Parish Hall. Despite the fact that the weather man had decided not to co-operate, the attendance was quite good. The reports from the various departments showed a record of steady progress and hard work. The officers elected for 1949 are: President, Mrs. O. Griffiths; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Lally; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Hart; Little Helpers, Mrs. Seabrook; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Wear; E.C.D. Secretary, Mrs. Arkwright; Visiting Convenor, Mrs. Wilbraham; Delegates to the W.A. Convention, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Smith; substitute, Mrs. Wear.

The Junior Auxiliary has had a busy year, with forty-three meetings; the programmes for which have included a short devotional period, business. activity project, games and singing. The balance sheet for these ten young ladies showed that they have handled eighty-nine dollars during the past year. Officers are: President, Ann Smith; Vice-President, Evelyn Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Margaret Wear; Programme, Betty Sutherland and Virginia Wear.

The Girls' Auxiliary yearly report was also read at the W.A. annual meeting and showed that the group has increased in numbers and that they also have had a very busy year. Their balance sheet shows that they have handled over \$200 and that they have ended the year with a good balance on hand. During the year, they have had supper meetings at various times in honor of visitors; they have also learned new handicrafts; taken part in mission study, hikes, bazaar work, home nursing, athletics of various kinds; they have also house-cleaned the parish hall several times.

The A.Y.P.A. are also once more organized after a rest for part of last year, owing to the fact that most of their senior members were taking part in the activities of other groups. An interesting evening of films followed the election of officers. The films included a colour firm of The Gardens of England, with other films on Home Nursing, Holland, Gaspe, and Wild Life. The new officers are: President, Miss Olive Thurston; Vice-President, Pat Rutherford; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Sutherland.

A new innovation at Christmas was a special service for the children at 4:30 on Christmas Eve. The church was filled to capacity, and the service was conducted almost entirely by the children. On the first Sunday in the year, another children's service was held, and despite the fact that it was a bitterly cold day, the children were

there almost a hundred per cent. The rector presented the attendance certificates to the children. It was worth noting the large number who had attended one hundred per cent, and many others had only been absent through sickness. The Christmas Children's Party was a great success; Santa Claus arrived in the traditional way-down the chimney—in full view of the chil-dren. He was heard to remark afterwards that he didn't know there were so many children in Wainwright, let alone in the Anglican Sunday School.

IRMA

A full congregation attended the Christmas Eve Holy Communion service at St. Mary's, Irma. Our Rector, the Rev. F. E. Smith, officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. D. Ellway of Edgerton. Appreciation was also expressed to those of St. Thomas' Choir, Wainwright, who assisted in the singing.

It is a pleasure to welcome to our services Mrs. Elsie McRoberts, who, during the winter months is residing in the village. A return welcome is also extended to Mrs. H. Jackson and Mrs. E. Blanchard, and we hope that they will find it possible to be with us often.

The annual meeting of St. Mary's W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. H. Targett on the afternoon of Jan. 26th, while in the evening the annual congregational meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Pryce Jones.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

The annual meeting of Holy Trinity W.A. was held on Jan. 13th with twelve members present.

All reports proved very satisfactory with a financial increase in all departments, the total exceeding any year since the formation of the W.A. in Tofield.

The following officers were elected for 1949: Honorary President, Mrs. C. Baptist; President, Miss L. Baptist; Vice-President, Mrs. E. N. P. Orme;; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. H. Barden; Dorcas and Social Service, Mrs. W. J. Bailey; Prayer Partner, Mrs. W. H. Freebury; Thankoffering and Living Message Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Robinson; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Robinson; Evening Group Convenor, Mrs. E. N. P.

The Evening Group is a new venture for 1949 and will comprise the younger married members of the parish who find it difficult to attend the afternoon meetings. Invitations will be sent out at an early date to prospective mem-

The incumbent thanked all officers and members for their splendid work during 1948 and for the help and kindnesses extended to him and his family.

The President also extended grateful thanks to all officers and members

for their loyal support during the past year and to the Rector for his assistance. Sunday other votes of thanks were given to various officers and members for their generous support and fine work.

The meeting closed with the Benediction by the Vicar.

The annual parochial meeting was held in the Church Hall at the close of service Jan. 16th. Reports of the various parochial organizations were then presented: (1) The financial statement of the Vestry by Mr. W. Bellamy; (2) The Woman's Auxiliary by Mrs. H. Barden; (3) The Sunday School, S.S. B.P., and S.S. of the Air, and Little Helpers by Mrs. J. W. Robinson; (4) Junior Choir by the Vicar. The incumbent thanked the various officers and members for their fine work during

Officers for 1949 are as follows: Vicar's Warden, Mr. D. G. McCarthy: People's Warden, Mr. J. E. Secord; Vestry, Mr. W. Bellamy and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robinson; Lay Delegates to Synod, Mr. J. W. Robinson and Mr. W. Drew. A Lindbrook delegate will be appointed at their annual meeting on Jan. 30th. postponed from Jan. 2nd due to extremely cold weather and drifts. At the close of the meeting those present gathered around the table to partake of sandwiches, cookies and tea.

Services: Lent commences March 2nd. Mid-week Lenten Services will be held on Wednesdays at Tofield; times as announced. Feb. 13th, Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m., Tofield, and Evensong at Lindbrook at 3:00 p.m. Feb. 27th, Evensong at Tofield at 7:30 p.m. and at Lindbrook at 3:00 p.m. March 6th, Evensong at Tofield at 7:30 p.m. March 13th, Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at Lindbrook. March 27th, Evensong at Tofield at 7:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at Lindbrook.

Holy Matrimony: Dec. 24th, Edythe Barden, formerly of Tofield, now of Mercoal, to Arnold McIntyre, at Edmonton. Jan. 11th, Mrs. May Simmons to Mr. W. McCord, at Edmonton.

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ST. MATTHEW'S, VIKING

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

The midnight services Christmas Eve brought a good attendance and the beautiful service was much enjoyed. Great credit is due those who decorated the church so beautifully with evergreens and holly sent to us by former parishioners, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bird, now living in B.C. We feel very grateful for their constant interest as Mr. and Mrs. Bird supply us with flowers and greens in season for our different affairs.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held in December, with officers appointed for the ensuing year as follows: Mrs. H. Child, President; Mrs. W. Lawes, Vice-President; Mrs. Ed. Evans, Secretary; Mrs. C. R. Smith, Treasurer; Mrs. C. Swaine, Dorcas Secretary.

The yearly report showed a most successful year with all obligations

met.

With several members leaving to make homes elsewhere, it decreases our numbers in the W.A. and church executive, but we will hope for new members to come in and fill the places before long.

W.A.: A farewell was held in November for Mrs. H. Meredith, and a small gift presented by the members in appreciation of her long and loyal membership. Our best wishes go with Mr. and Mrs. Meredith for health and happiness in their new home.

We are very pleased to see Mrs. Walters around again and to hear she is on the road to recovery after her illness.

RODINO

On December 21st, Holy Communion service was held at the home of Mrs. S. Daniel at 11:30 a.m. A large crowd was present, and following the service Santa Claus appeared and distributed gifts to all the children from the Christmas tree. Everyone brought contributions towards the lunch that followed. After lunch, Miss Ellen Nash took charge of a concert given by the children. Those taking part enjoyed this as much as their parents. Before going home each child was given a candy bag, and in all twenty-eight children received gifts.

The December meeting of the W.A. was held at Mrs. Winfield's home. The treasurer announced that the sum of \$94 had been realized at the bazaar and supper held in November. This was very gratifying news to the members as all had worked hard to make the supper a success. It is surprising what a great deal can be done by an enthusiastic group, even if they have not many members.

The service on Jan. 9th was to have been at the home of Mrs. Nash, but this was cancelled because of cold weather.

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ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

The Rev. C. F. W. Goddard

On Christmas Day there was a Choral Celebration of Holy Communion at eleven o'clock. It was a joyous service even though the congregation was not large. The service for the following day was cancelled.

Members of the congregation will be glad to hear that Mrs. Chambers, who has been ill for some time, is now improving.

The first meeting of the W.A. in the New Year was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Ramsell, Thursday, Jan. 13th.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

The flowers used on the Altar for the midnight service Christmas Eve were donated by Mr. and Mrs. T. Wills, in memory of Mr. Wills' mother, a former member of the W.A.

The holly used for decorating the church was sent by Mrs. Roy Cline of B.C., a former member also. Our sincere thanks are extended.

The Sunday School Christmas Party and Concert was held in the Legion Hall, with a very fine attendance of children and parents. Santa Claus was made very welcome, with treats for all, and a beautifully decorated and lighted Christmas tree was full of gifts

besides. Lunch was served to all present in the banquet hall downstairs. The kindness of the Legion Branch is very much appreciated by St. Mary's.

The services taken by Canon Clough are looked forward to and much enjoyed, with a very good congregation present. Our thanks to the Rev. F. A. Peake also for the service Christmas Eve

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary was held December 1st, at the home of Mrs. T. Chandler, with the president, Mrs. E. Noden, in the chair. There was a good attendance and two new members welcomed.

The business session included a satisfactory report of the bazaar, and a vote of thanks was given all who had assisted. Arrangements were made to hold a social evening to welcome all new Anglican families to the parish, date to be set later and an appeal was made by the visiting and sick committee to have newcomers give their names to Mrs. J. E. Northcott or Mrs. T. Chandler.

Officers for 1949 were elected by acclamation as follows: President, Mrs. R. Peacock; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. E. Noden; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. F. Stretch; Secretary, Mrs. M. Reese; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Paterson; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Bert Scott; Educational

Secretary, Mrs. J. McMahon; Visiting Committee, Mrs. J. E. Northcott and Mrs. T. Chandler.

MONITOR MISSION

We were pleased to welcome the Bishop on Jan. 2nd, when he came once again to administer our Christmas Communion.

The aim of the St. Laurence Guild this year is to redecorate and repair the vestry and vicarage.

SEDGEWICK MISSION

The Rev. W. Brooks

Attendance at Christmas services in the parish was fairly good and with the assistance of willing workers the S.S. parties at Lougheed and Sedgewick were very successful. It was a real pleasure to present attendance prizes to Joan and Don Peterson, Elizabeth Stockie and Dolores Riddock of Lougheed S.S. recently. We hope that the really handsome prayer books they received will always be a reminder of these days and their church. May you continue to learn and earn.

Annual meetings of the W.A. branches were held at Hardisty and Killam, results of which will be given through the regular columns. During 1948 a great amount of work has been done by the branches throughout the parish, the congregations generally join with me in expressing their thanks and best wishes in this coming year. In the near future the annual Diocesan W.A. meeting will be held. It is to be hoped that interest in this larger group will be stimulated and that delegates from each point will find it possible to attend.

Reports of annual vestry meetings that have been held so far have been encouraging, and the work of those concerned with the management of our affairs is to be considered, and the hope that more will share the burden is the desire of all. We would draw your attention to the financing of this publication. Our secretary-treasurers in some instances report that subscriptions are far in arrears. We ask you to help them in their problem of financing by giving your prompt attention to this matter, please.

We express our deep sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Neeley of Killam in the bereavement recently experienced, and we all hope that the effects of a long, trying watch will soon be overcome.

The many friends of Betty Windover and Obert Langrud, who filled St. George's Church for their recent wedding, wish them both a long and happy life, while the many friends of Betty's parents join with me in the hope of continued happiness for Mr. and Mrs. Windover, who recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

Baptism: Karen Barbara Pewtriss.

Wedding: Elizabeth Windover to

Wedding: Elizabeth Windover Obert Langrud.

Burials: Suzanne Elizabeth McGinnis Anna Beazer.

LATE CHURCH NEWS

ST. MARK'S

The Rev. Arthur Elliott

At the time of writing we are in the midst of the annual meeting dates. The year has been one of changes in the work of the church. We have lost some of our workers and on the other hand we have gained a number of new members who have given valuable assistance throughout the year. May this New Year bring to us all a lively sense of our need of one another and a determination to see St. Mark's taking a full share of the work of the church in the city of Edmonton. We are indeed grateful to all who have in any measure done what they could during 1948 to maintain the church's work in this

Christmas services were well attended. The Carol Services in particular and the presence of Sunday School and Cubs and the help of the A.Y.P.A. in the service and choir on 19th December showed what was possible in the way of an evening service. The church was nearly filled for that service, and this was most encouraging to those who

took part.

W.A. Afternoon Group: A very satisfactory and interesting meeting was held on Thursday, 13th January, at the home of Mrs. Bromley. There was a good attendance and the following were elected officers for 1949: President, Mrs. C. D. Brown; Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Fleming; Secretary, Mrs. Norman Hughes; Treasurer and U.T.O. Secretary, Mrs. P. H. John; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Stuart; and Educations.

tional Secretary, Mrs. Bromley.

Much financial help had been given throughout the year to the Vestry and the interest of the members maintained.

Choir: The great need of the present is for more adult choir members. The Juniors are doing well and have been very regular and helpful. Those attending the Senior Choir have given faithful service and we are very grateful to them and all who helped that choir, but we need more of both sexes. It is useful and helpful work and is very valuable training.

valuable training.

Confirmation: The names of all intending candidates should be in the hands of the Rector as soon as possible. Classes for adults and children can be arranged to suit the individual.

ST. MARY'S

The Rev. W. T. Elkin

Christmas services at St. Mary's were again a source of inspiration and joy to the large congregations that were in attendance. It was especially gratifying to see such a large attendance of parents and children at the Family Worship service on Christmas morning. The Rector would like to take this opportunity of thanking the congregation for their generous Christmas offering and the various expressions of good will shown to his family during the holidays.

The Sunday School finished another very successful year with an everincreasing enrolment. The teaching staff now consists of seventeen members. Joan Wrenshall and Al Pearson were recently presented with the R.T.S. awards of illustrated Bibles for the highest marks obtained in the 1948 Sunday School examinations.

By the time these notes are printed the annual meetings of the various organizations will have taken place. At the time of writing we have the report of the annual meeting of the Afternoon Group of the W.A., held on Jan. 10th, with the Rev. W. T. Elkin in the chair. Reports were presented by the retiring officers and election of the executive for 1949 took place, with the following results: President, Mrs. S. Jeffells; Honorary Presidents, Mrs. M. Derbyshire and Mrs. M. Glazier; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. W. F. Croft; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. C. Robinson; Secretary, Mrs. R. Collier; Treasurer, Mrs. T. C. Gittins; Junior Superintendents, Mrs. C. Robinson and Mrs. A. Potter; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. W. F. Croft; Needlework Secretary, Mrs. H. Cuff; Educational Secretary, Mrs. C. Baines; Prayer Partner, Mrs. R. Collier; Social Service and Parish Visitor, Mrs. E. Pallister; U.T.O. and E.C.D. Secretary, Mrs. E. Bradshaw; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. T. Henderson; Flower Fund, Mrs. N. Creighton; Hospital Visitors, Mrs. W. Kent and Mrs. R. Evans; Tea Convenor, Mrs. G. Clark.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Girls' Auxiliary was held recently, the new officers being: President, Giovanna Rogers; Vice-President, Marjorie Creighton; Secretary-Treasurer, Harriet Stutchbury. A parcel was packed to the Moose Factory Indian School, a food parcel sent to the youth group at St. Mary's, Cardiff, Wales, and the girls made Christmas stockings for their mothers at Christmas time. A very enjoyable "outdoor" party was held when the sleigh didn't turn up for a sleigh ride planned, and our thanks go to Mrs. W. Scott, who had the refreshments ready for us when we returned. A year full of activity is planned for

Baptisms: John Terence Blair, Holly Leslie Mabel Blair, Judith Lee Alton, Ellen Rose Alton, Robin Ross Alton, Susan Irene Passmore, Robert Charles Kirby, David Harvey Johns, Dorothy Bell, Catherine Anne Moir.

ST. GEORGE'S, FT SASKATCHEWAN The Rev. W. W. Buxton

The annual meeting of St. George's W.A. was held at the rectory. Splendid reports were read by convenors of all departments. The election of officers was as follows: Honorary President, Mrs. W. W. Buxton; President, Mrs. C. R. W. Mager; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Jenkins; Secretary, Mrs. C. P. Brabbins; Treasurer, Mrs. T. Holt; Dorcas, Mrs. T. W. E. Henry; Educational, Mrs. S. Browne; Social Service, Mrs. H. Oxley; Junior W.A., Mrs. A. Jacox; Little Helpers, Mrs. A. B. Stannard.

The Vestry met on Jan. 10th and among other items of business the date of the congregational meeting and supper was arranged to be held Feb. 1.

During the Christmas holidays the Sunday School held a most enjoyable skating party. At the conclusion of the afternoon of skating the boys and girls adjourned to the hall for supper, games and gifts off the beautifully decorated tree.

On Sunday, Jan. 16, after evening service, the young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stannard. Following an hour of contests and singing, lunch was served, at which time the Rev. W. W. Buxton presented to George Holt on behalf of the young people a case containing military brushes and comb. George has enlisted in the navy and expects to leave the parish shortly.

Marriage: Dec. 9th, in St. George's Church, Norah May Giggs was united in marriage to John Henry Block, both of Macklin, Saskatchewan. The Rev. W. W. Buxton officiated.

Baptism: Penny Elizabeth Jacox.

ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

This year the church was most beautifully decorated for the Christmas morning service and it was well worth the effort put into this labor of love in view of the large number of people who turned out to worship in the dear little historic church of St. Mary's. The credit for decorating goes to the two very active ladies' organizations in the parish, the Altar Guild and the W.A. The later organization has started off the New Year on its usual high pitch of activity in its zeal for missionary work instarting a clothing drive for the needy in England and Germany.

Burial: On December 24th, in St. Aidan's Cemetery, Herbert L. Johnson, Glenreagh.

Holy Matrimony: On December 24th, Harold Alexander Bain of Shoal Creek, to Ishbel Elizabeth White of Westlock.

ST. PHILLIP'S, WESTLOCK

The St. Phillip's Guild met at the home of Mrs. George Baxandall, Jan. 5th, where all officers of 1948 were returned by acclamation for another term. They are: President, Mrs. P. F. Conkin; Vice-President, Mrs. E. Stanton; Secretary, Mrs. George Baxandall; Treasurer, Mrs. McKeen.

It is the earnest hope of the congregation that the Parish Hall will soon be in use again for various church activities and our thanks are due to Mr. E. Stanton for kindly donating a heater for the building while Mr. J. W. Cowley, our very active People's Warden, has kindly consented to decorate the interior of the hall.

CHRIST CHURCH, JARVIE

The annual meeting of Christ Church W.A. was held in the church on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd, for the election of officers for the coming year. The positions filled are as follows: President, Mrs. L. Garth; Vice-President, Mrs. Trickett, Sr.; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. S. J. Johnson. Lunch was served afterwards at the home of Mrs. Ksendz.

ONOWAY AND WABAMUN MISSIONS

At St. John's we had the Midnight Eucharist on Christmas Eve and a Sung Eucharist at 11:00 a.m. on Christmas

The next day the Rector went with Jared Turnbull and Mr. Keith to Wabamun, Seba and Duffield for the Christmas services. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Lawrence entertained the visitors to dinner after the morning service and Mr. and Mrs. George Tyrrell had a tea party after Evensong at Duffield.

Christmas Service at Sion was on Dec. 29th and at St. Peter's, Lac La Nonne on Wednesday, Jan. 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Scanlett went with the Rector to the Service at Evansburg on Jan. 6th. Afterwards Mrs. R. Young had a good part of the congregation in to tea at her home.

At **Wabamun**, Mr. and Mrs. R. Gregson are now living in the Vicarage.

Onoway is basking in the electric light and wondering what the bill will be at the end of the month.

The Rev. Timothy Matthews was here for a few days and preached twice at St. John's and once at Calahoo.

The annual W.A. meeting was held on Thursday, Jan. 12th. Mrs. Sydney Kettle resigned from the office of secretary-treasurer much to everyone's regret and Mrs. Kettle, Sr., was elected in her place. Mrs. Bramley became President and Mrs. Parker Vice-President. The ladies have had a good year and done a great deal to help in the parish and the wider field of Missions.

Mrs. Dales was re-elected leader of the J.A. and is also in charge of Font Roll and Little Helpers.

ALL SAINT'S, SEBA BEACH

The annual parish meeting was held at the home of Mr. O. Lawrence, Feb. 11th, with the Rev. Canon J. C. Mathews in the chair. Mr. R. McKee was appointed Vicar's Warden.

The following officers were elected: People's Warden, Mr. O. Laurence, and Envelope Secretary; Delegate to Synod, Mr. A. Peterson; substitute, Mr. R. Mc-Kee.

Vestry: Mrs. Bunting, Mrs. Call, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. Hathaway, Mr. A. Wood, Mr. E. W. Philips, Mr. R. Garden, Mr. D. W. Geldart, Mr. J. Milner, Mr. G. Clark, Mr. Hathaway. Vestry Clerk, Miss L. Camp.

Mr. R. McKee was re-elected auditor.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to all the officers, especially to Mr. and Mrs. O. Laurence for their untiring efforts in the work of the Church, and to the Vicar who is always ready to help us in any way.

ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

The Rev. T. Teape

The Christmas Season is still green in our memory and a very jolly time it was, with perfect weather and many pleasant social get-togethers. We rejoiced in worshipping together as a parish family, more especially on the Sunday before Christmas when there were 141 present, and again on Christmas Eve when over 90 were in church.

Now we are in the throes of the annual meetings. Perhaps we should not put it in that way, for in these days of peace and plenty we hear of progress and bank balances and are encouraged. Both branches of the W.A. have had their annual meetings and in each case the story was the same, a year of continuous and painstaking effort for the sake of Christ and His Church. If all the hours spent in cooking, sewing, catering, planning, and so on, could be added up, what a formidable total it would make—and what a cheering one too. The Afternoon Branch had a turnover of approximately \$1,500 and they still have \$650 in the bank. The ladies have every reason to be proud of themselves.

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To Mrs. Fay Park and the Royal Purple for the lovely Christmas tree in the Parish Hall; to Mrs. Davidson for a first rate pageant put on by the Sunday School scholars; to our "carpenter," Mr. Pockett, and our electrician, Mr. Davidson.

To Mr. Claude Brennan for an original idea, and to Mr. Sandy Watt for backing him up. The broadcasting of Christmas bells and music from loudspeakers in the church tower was heard by most people in town and was appreciated by all who heard it.

A.Y.P.A.—Our first meeting '49 was at Audrey Watts' and election of officers took place. They are: President, Audrey Watts; Secretary-Treasurer, Alice Thompson; 1st Vice-President, Jim Davidson.

Happy Hour Branch—The annual meeting of the Happy Hour Branch W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Jessie Stephens.

The officers for the coming year are: Mrs. Wm. Pettigrew, President; Mrs. Ashley Cooper, Vice-President; Mrs. Stanley Calvert, Secretary. A very active year is planned and preparations for a quilt are under way. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Teape, with Mrs. B. King assisting.

MARWAYNE

The first annual meeting of St. George's W.A. was held Jan. 20th at the home of Mrs. Aston. A brief review of 1948 was given by Mrs. Norcross. Fourteen meetings were held, also one shower and two social gatherings, with

an average attendance of eight members. We now have 16 members.

Serving lunches at the 1948 bonspiel gave this new branch a good start to their objective for raising funds towards renovating the "old" church. Other lunches, a sale of work and fees totalled \$505.00, with deduction of expenses, pledges, etc., of \$148, leaves a bank balance of \$357. This amount is far short of what is needed for the restoration of St. George's suitable for regular services.

1949 commences with response to the apeal from the Dominion Secretary for Social Service by a donation of \$5.00 for hot chocolate served to needy German children, also the promise of a food parcel per month to needy Anglican families in Britain. Plans were made to serve lunches at the bonspiel, Mrs. Sattzberry convenor. Election of officers resulted in both President, Mrs. Sattzberry, and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Norcross, re-elected by acclamation. Mrs. Dudlyke was appointed Correspondent to the Edmonton Churchman. Meetings are to be held every third Friday in the month at 2:30 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S, CAMROSE

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrew's Church was held on Monday, Jan. 17th, beginning with supper for about one hundred guests. At the conclusion of the meal, Mr. Fred Stewart, the Sunday School Superintendent, presented Verna Lomas with a Bible, the R.T.S. award for distinction in the S.S. examinations.

The parish meeting began with the minutes of the last congregational meeting, read by Mr. A. Youell, Secretary. The church's financial statement was read by Mr. John Hare, People's Warden. Mr. Charles McDonald presented the Building Fund report which showed all local debts on the building paid and \$500 off the Diocesan loan in 1948. The W.A. report was a triumphant one, and thanks were received from all sides. Successful reports were heard from the Young Married Group, the Sunday School, the Altar Guild, the Memorial Organ Fund, the A.Y.P.A., the Little Helpers, Pre-Junior Auxiliary, the G.A., the Mission Band, and the Building Committee.

Officers for 1949: Rector's Warden, Mr. J. H. Hare; People's Warden, Mr. Norman Blades; Vestry, Mr. Frank Beeston, Mr. Walter Burrows, Mr. R. W. Campbell, Mr. John G. Clark, Mr. Leslie Dodd, Mr. P. A. East, Mr. W. F. Grafton, Mr. H. G. Howarth, Mr. Rees Hugh, Mr. E. H. Nelson, Mr. Chas. McDonald (financial advisor), Mr. A. Youell (secretary). Mr. P. A. East was appointed Auditor. Mr. W. F. Grafton and Mr. Chas. McDonald became delegates to Synod, and Mr. L. Dodd and Dr. H. B. Ness alternates.